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The £20,000 weekly prize in The Times Portfolio competition was won by Mrs M J Day, of Streatham, London. Saturday's £2,000 daily prize was shared by Mr F J White, of St Mary's Platt, Sevenoaks, Kent, and Mr A G D Ahrens, of Ford End, Chelmsford, Essex.

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Rebuilding projects may create 50,000 jobs

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

More than 50,000 jobs could be created by increased spending on the housing and health service infrastructure to be announced by Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in his autumn statement to the Commons tomorrow.

Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for the Environment, and Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, have persuaded the Treasury to allow increased spending of about £500 million on council housing and hospital repairs and improvements in the next financial year, and it is possible that road-building will also be given extra allocation.

Whitehall sources said last night that between 40,000 and 70,000 jobs could be created by the measures, with a rough calculation of 10,000 jobs for every £100 million extra spent on infrastructure.

Ministerial sources conceded that the move marked a switch in the emphasis of govenment policy. But it was said that a collective decision had been taken that something had to be done to stop the rot in housing and the hospital estates.

The estimated number of building industry jobs that would be created depend on whether overtime was increased in the initial stages.

It was also said that although the building industry had been calling for increased infrastructure spending, it had been appointed out that the pace of expansion should be moderated to avoid "overheating" and an undue escalation of costs.

However, the direct bonus of the switch will be creation of "real jobs". Ministers were saying at the weekend that 677,000 jobs had been created over the last two and a half years – but many of them are accounted for by women going into part-time employment, and part of the figure is based on an estimate of the self-employed.

The increasing spending will be financed, in part at least, by the sale of assets, such as council flats, hospital housing and surplus local authority and health authority land.

The Prime Minister will tonight defend the government's policy on privatization in a speech to the Lord Mayor's Banquet at Guildhall, although she is not expected to refer to Lord Stockton's scornful criticism of the programme on Friday night.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher is expected to drive home the need for tax cuts as an engine of growth in the economy, and the target £5,000 million to be raised from the privatization fo British Gas, British Airways and other State-owned assests next year will be a key element in the Chancellor's calculations for tomorrow's Commons statement.

The attack launched by Lord Stockton's which he will probably return to in a Lords debate on Thursday, has also been countered by Cabinet ministers who might normally be expected to back him.

Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Energy and the minister who will be responsible for the sale of British Gas, said on Saturday: "The suggestion that privatization is selling off the family silver is nonsense . . . it is transferring the silver from the politicians and the Civil Servants to the family."

Mr David Mellor, Parliamentary Under-Secretary at the Home Office, said on the BBC television programme *This Week, Next Week* yesterday: "We are not talking about

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A smile for the crowd waiting outside Washington Cathedral as the Princess of Wales leaves after attending morning service yesterday

Reagan pays tribute to 'Princess David'

From Christopher Thomas Washington

President Reagan twice bungled the Princess of Wales' name and a jet-lagged Prince of Wales momentarily forgot to return a toast at a White House dinner. That, so far, is the sum total of unscheduled happenings in the Royal visit to Washington. The rest has been big crowds, perfect autumn weather, hardly any trouble from the Irish and masses of prime time television.

Mr Reagan ventured but once from his prepared text in after-dinner remarks at the White House on Saturday night. "Permit me to add our congratulations to Prince Charles on his birthday just five days away", he said, "and express also our great happiness that . . . er . . . we have been able to have this affair with Princess David – Princess Diane – here on her first trip to the United States."

His prepared remarks were more cogent. "Our language, our law, our democratic system of government, our fierce belief in the God-given right of man to be free – all of these we owe to you", he said. There were some guests including, apparently at the Princess's request, Neil Diamond, John Travolta and Clint Eastwood.

Having attended morning service yesterday at Washington Cathedral, where the Prince read the lesson, the couple repaired to the National Gallery of Art to view the new exhibition, "The Treasure Houses of Britain: Five hundred years of private patronage and art collecting".

For five minutes afterwards the Prince of Wales gave a press conference.

Did she enjoy the White House dinner? The Prince deflected the question to her: "I think you enjoyed it, didn't you darling? She would be an idiot if she did not enjoy dancing with John Travolta wouldn't she?" The Princess nodded.

As the questions persisted, he implored: "How many of you manage to reply on behalf of your wives on these occasions and then get beaten up afterwards for getting it wrong?".

Belgian ministers in crisis talks after store raid massacre

From Richard Owen, Brussels

An emergency meeting of Belgium's inner Cabinet was called yesterday after an armed raid on a supermarket near Brussels in which masked gunmen shot dead eight people.

Police sources have hinted that the massacre may be linked to the Communist Fighting Cells (CCC) terrorist group.

Fifteen people were also injured in the attack late on Saturday night in Aalst, 15 miles from Brussels.

Wearing carnival masks, burst into the supermarket and opened fire with pump shotguns at point-blank range. In the mayhem which followed the massacre the gang fled with less than £3,000.

Mr Jean Gol, the Belgian Minister of Justice, said the Government would do all in its power to "take these people out of circulation", but acknowledged that the authorities were hampered by a lack of a unified police force. Mr Wilfried Martens, the Prime Minister, yesterday convened a crisis committee, or inner Cabinet, including the defence and interior ministers and the chief of police.

The Aalst attack, on a supermarket belonging to the popular Delhaize chain, follows two other attacks on Delhaize stores in prosperous Brussels suburbs last month in which eight people died. As in the latest incident the robbers killed indiscriminately before robbing the stores.

The random attacks began two years ago with a raid in the Brabant region, giving the gang the nickname "the mad Brabant killers". Armed violence has recently reached epidemic proportions by peaceful Belgian standards, leaving the police apparently helpless. Police sources hinted that there may be a link between the armed robbery of a post office security van at Verviers last week and a spate of bombings at leading Belgian banks attributed to the shadowy CCC terrorist group.

The CCC terrorists, who espouse anarchist, anti-capitalist and anti-Nato aims, have caused more than 20 explosions in the past year. But they are usually careful to avoid death – in marked contrast to the supermarket robbers – and normally give warnings. The CCC has caused three deaths, two of them unintentional.

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Police called onto field in rugby violence

By Our Sports Staff

More violence erupted in sport at the weekend. Police had to be called on to the field to separate brawling players during the Rugby League international between Great Britain and New Zealand at Elland Road, Leeds, on Saturday, and there were 24 arrests at the Millwall-Leeds United football match at the Den.

The Elland Road fight broke out in the second half and laste a minute. The Australian referee, Barry Gomersall, held up play and, with police help, restored order.

Before that, one British player had been concussed by a stiff-arm tackle, two more needed stitches in head wounds, and another suffered facial injuries. A New Zealand forward was sent twice to the sin-bin during the game, which was drawn 6-6.

There were scuffles before Millwall's 3-1 win over Leeds and in the second half missiles, including planks and a brick, were thrown at police, one of whom was injured.

On Friday a Chelsea supporter was sentenced to life imprisonment for riotous assembly outside Stamford Bridge soon after Christmas last year.

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Russians tune in to Reagan's message

From Christopher Thomas Washington

President Reagan told the Soviet Union and 50 other nations in an expanded speech over Voice of America that the United States had no hostile intentions and that the two countries must never engage in a nuclear conflict.

The address was markedly different in tone from a declaration the day before that he had "no illusions about Soviet intentions" at the forthcoming Geneva summit.

The White House is going out of its way to dampen expectations of any specific agreement at the summit and is raising doubts even about the prospects of a joint communiqué at the conclusion of the meeting.

But there was no hint of pessimism in Mr Reagan's radio speech, which was broadcast in Russian and 41 other languages to an estimated 120 million listeners.

The Soviet Union did not jam two or three frequencies in Moscow and one in Leningrad on which the Russian translation of Mr Reagan's remarks and was clearly audible. A Lithuanian translation was also monitored in Leningrad but 15 other frequencies were jammed.

Mr Reagan explained that his plan for a space-based defensive shield was aimed at eliminating nuclear weapons. He emphasized Soviet-American ties and called for increased contacts, especially among young people.

In the final run-up to the summit, Moscow and Washington are trying to agree on guidelines for continued arms control negotiations in Geneva that the two leaders could ratify. The guidelines would be a general statement of objectives.

Two issues have more or less been cleared away – the case of the KGB "defector", Mr Vitaly Yurchenko, who is back in Moscow – and the equally mysterious saga of Mr Miroslav Medvid, a Ukranian seaman who twice leaped into the Mississippi from a Soviet freighter in apparent defection attempts.

While arguments about Mr Yurchenko are still going on in Washington Mr Medvid's ship steamed towards international waters on Friday despite a sub poena served to officers aboard the vessel ordering Mr Medvid to appear before the Senate agriculture committee.

The decision to let the ship go was taken at White House level based on statements made by Mr Medvid to a State Department psychiatrist in which insisted that he wanted to go home.

The Senate order had no legal standing without endorsement by the Justice Department, which said it had received no request to give it formal status.

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Strikes threat to overseas travel

By Barrie Clement Labour Reporter

Guerrilla strike action by immigration officials this week could lead to long delays at passport counters in air and sea ports.

Some passengers may be able to enter the country unchecked at Glasgow and Edinburgh airports where all officials are members of the Society of Civil and Public Servants which is protesting over staff shortages. It was understood however that at Glasgow, Special Branch officers who monitor flights to and from Ireland, have the right to check passengers.

The worst delays are expected at Heathrow's Terminal Three where union members have decided to walk out this afternoon. Management will seek to minimize disruption by bringing in non-union staff, it was thought.

The first of the strikes took place on Saturday at the port of Harwich, Essex, when 13 of the 16 immigration officers on the early shift walked out for 4½ hours. A total of 1,700 passengers who arrived on two sailings – one from Esjberg in Denmark, the other from Oslo, Norway – faced delays of up to two hours.

Mr Andrew Schooler, the union's immigration service branch secretary, said yesterday that demands for more staff had been met by cuts in personnel, new shift patterns involving more unsocial hours, cuts in allowances and downgrading of work.

He said that there would be little warning before the action this week in order to maximize disruption to publicize their cause.

A Home Office spokesman said there were plans to increase the number of personnel and the unions have been invited to meet senior officials to discuss their concern.

Snow and storm usher in winter

The first widespread winter snow swept Britain yesterday, and freezing storm-force winds caused accidents on roads and at sea.

Snow fell in Scotland last week, but yesterday descended to uplands in northern England, the Midlands, Wales, the South-west, and Northern Ireland even, extending as far as Watford, Hertfordshire. In parts of the Cotswolds it was more than three inches deep.

One angler drowned and another was missing after their boat overturned off Clacton, Essex and four crewmen from a Dutch motor vessel were rescued by lifeboat in Tees Bay when their coke-laden ship was swept on to rocks.

Three people died in an accident on the M25 at South Mimms, Hertfordshire.

Mandela's wife defies exile order

As police announced four more deaths in South Africa's continuing unrest, Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of the jailed African National Congress leader, Nelson Mandela, challenged Pretoria by refusing to return to the small Orange Free State town to which she was banished in 1977.

In London, *The Daily Telegraph* apologised for having published a bogus letter, quoted by the South African Government, which purported to give an eye-witness report of unrest induced by foreign television crews **Mandela defiance, page 5**

NF Cenotaph scuffles

Eleven people were arrested when scuffles broke out during a National Front march to the Cenotaph on London after the official ceremony. Police said the trouble broke out near St James's Park when rival groups tried to disrupt the march.

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Gartcosh 'no'

The Government is resolute that there should be no reprieve for the Gartcosh steel mill in Lanarkshire, despite growing support for its retention **Page 25**

Assam threat

The pact negotiated in Assam by Mr Rajiv Gandhi to end violence over an influx of people from Bangladesh is threatened by proposals to ease controls on some immigrants **Page 9**

Data deadline

Many companies and individuals are feared to be unaware that they have six months from today to register data banks under the Data Protection Act **Page 4**

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Hero of chess Kasparov buries the hatchet

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

A beaming Gary Kasparov, the youngest ever world chess champion, yesterday buried the hatchet with the international and Soviet chess authorities at a triumphal press concert held on the stage of Moscow's ornate Tchaikovsky Hall, where he won his stunning victory on Saturday night.

Looking much older than his 22 years, Kasparov told journalists that his dispute over the original halting of his world title match with Anatoly Karpov last February was now something "in the past".

Flanked by senior officials from the often bitterly divided world of chess, Kasparov, who is half Jewish and half Armenian, paid tribute to the sportsmanlike manner in which the rematch had been conducted here.

Questioned by American correspondents about his previous condemnation of the Soviet chess authorities Kasparov refused pointedly to be drawn into fresh attacks against those he had once accused of trying to rob him of victory against the man regarded as the establishment's favourite.

Outside in the driving snow, hundreds of ordinary citizens had gathered to pay tribute to the man who has now taken his place in the pantheon of Soviet heroes.

Partly because of the outspoken stand that Kasparov had adopted against the authorities, the brilliant young player had become the popular favourite long before the championship reached its dramatic climax. The wife of one Soviet grandmaster said after the final move that the result had been "a victory for justice".

Yesterday, showing remarkably little sign of the strain imposed during the 14-month contest, Kasparov indicated that he was ready for a re-match with Karpov the deposed champion. This is possible within the next six months under the rules of the International Chess Federation and could be in London, but no decision on time or venue has yet been taken.

Karpov, aged 34, himself for much of his 10-year reign, a Soviet hero, was given short shrift by the thousands of jubilant supporters who gathered outside the hall on Saturday night. When he left under the glare of television arc lights, he was given little more than a desultory clap. Earlier, some onlookers had begun go jeer when they saw that his defeat was inevitable.



A jubilant Kasparov after his forty-second move

The pandemonium inside the hall as the end approached took even senior Soviet officials by surprise. As marshals attempted to restrain the frenetic crowd, one of the organizers was heard shouting above the din: "Be quiet. This is a game of chess, not football."

The exuberant crowd took little notice of him, and began a loud chant of "Gary, Gary" in a vain attempt to persuade their exhausted hero to reappear. Much of the attention then focused on Kasparov's devoted mother who was in her usual seat near the front of the auditorium, as the contest was played out by the two men dwarfed by giant boards on which every move was charted by seconds.

Yesterday, Kasparov – whose name has been linked romantically to a Soviet actress – paid tribute to the role played by his mother in inspiring his meteoric chess career.

Although Kasparov has been portrayed as very much the anti-establishment figure, he made it clear yesterday that he would do everything in propaganda terms to help the Soviet Union during his reign as champion. The good humour of the 60-minute Press conference was in sharp contrast to the feuds which have marked much of the championship.

Leading chess experts from all over the world who excitedly analysed every move on boards scattered in rooms throughout the five stories of the concert hall, were unanimous in paying tribute to the standard of chess produced by the two men. "Considering the tension, it was astounding", Jonathan Tisdall, an international grand master, said. "There were none of the blunders that have been common on these sort of occasions in the past."

The experts believe that the youth of the new champion and the drama surrounding the match will boost the standing of the game world-wide.

In a television ceremony last night, Kasparov received the victor's garland from Mrs Florencio Campomanes, the president of the International Chess Federation, whom he had attacked publicly earlier this year for ordering the abandonment of the first world title series.

Karpov sat through the ceremony in silence while his successor praised him as a sportsman who had helped raise his own play to a new level. "I am sure that our creative dispute is not over", Kasparov said.

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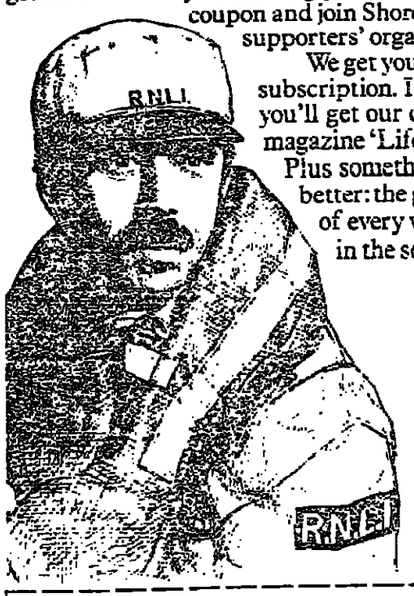
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Teachers' union claims 35% rise next year and new pay structure

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

A substantial claim of at least 35 per cent for teachers in next year's pay round is announced today by the second biggest teacher's unions, the National Association of Schoolmaster/ Union of Women Teachers.

The claim, which would add an estimated £1.5 billion to the teachers' salary bill, is based on radical restructuring of teachers' pay.

There could be renewed chaos in schools next year if Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, is unable to fund it.

The main features of the package are:

Three-year entry grade with a first-year salary of £7,600, a second year salary of £7,800 and a third-year salary of £8,000;

After three years teachers would move to a main professional grade by assessment, starting on £9,300 and rising to £17,730 by nine annual increments;

Senior teachers called "team-leaders", responsible for the work of up to seven other teachers, would receive an additional allowance of £1,425.

Deputy heads would be appointed in schools with more than 20 teachers at salaries between 80 per cent and 85 per cent of that of head teachers;

Head teachers would be paid according ot the number of teachers in the school, starting at a salary of £19,300;

The philosophy underlying the structure would be collegiate, to give teachers a greater say in the running of schools. They would also share many of the duties and responsibilities at present undertaken by teachers on scales two, three and four.

The NAS/UWT, which has 127,000 members, believes that teachers' pay can be restored to the 1974 levels awarded by the Houghton inquiry only through salary restructuring.

By contrast the biggest teachers' union, the National Union of Teachers, wants to see the 34 per cent shortfall restored through annual salary negotiations. That is why it has led teachers through nine months of strikes and working to rule this year.

Now, however, the NUT has lost its majority on the Burnham negotiating committee and the NAS/UWT, with the other smaller unions, is ready to settle this year's dispute if it can improve on the last offer of a 6.9 per cent rise, staged so that teachers would receive 7.5 per cent by the end of March.

All the teachers unions meet today, the first time since the NUT lost its majority, and will ask the employers to reinstate that offer as a basis for negotiation.

The NAS/UWT has considerable problems persuading many of its members to settle the dispute now in order to obtain more money next year.

That is why it has released details of next year's substantial pay claim and why it will ballot on the issue of a settlement.



Two architects, Mr John Collier (left) and Professor St John Wilson, at the St Pancras site (Photograph: Dod Miller).

£247m library of future takes roots

A quarter of a million cubic metres of London clay has been excavated from the foundations and basement levels of the new St Pancras library.

When all four basement levels, 25 metres below ground level, have been built, 10 million bricks will have been laid and three quarters of a million cubic metres of concrete poured into the world's largest underground library.

Excavation has reached the second basement level from the surface in the first stage of construction of the British Library's 21st century dream, which will cost £247 million and house 25 million books.

By 1994 the world's most modern information treasury will feature an underground network of storerooms with more than 180 miles of shelving in a carefully monitored, temperature-controlled environment.

Britain's literary treasures, such as the Magna Carta, will be protected from fire, floods and theft in strong rooms. After three years of excavation and construction, the "biggest hole" in London is taking shape alongside the ornate towers of St Pancras railway station.

In the complex architectural brief to design the library of the future, 8,000 specific requirements were put forward, including protecting the collections from London's rising water table, Mr David Rodger, the British Library's project services manager, responsible for the new library, said. Thirty pressure relief wells have been sunk under the basement area to cope with any flooding.

The architects, Sir Leslie Martin and Professor Colin St John Wilson, were commissioned in 1962 to create the futuristic library and their design was approved two yeas later.

In 1972, with the imminent formation of the British Library, Professor St John Wilson, then heading his own practice, was given a new brief to include a science reference library and a bibliographic services division. Work on the first stage started in 1982.

Professor St John Wilson said a priority was to ensure a temperature controlled environment to preserve the books.

"We have aimed for a not too big a temperature change throughout the building, so books brought up from the storerooms by the mechanical handling system into the reading rooms for the public will not deteriorate."

The building site is believed to be the deepest in London and walls have been built around the perimeter to protect the building and adjacent sites from movement.

Mr Rodger said: "St Pancrass will represent the rescuing of a tradition very much cherished for future generations. We set out to build a sophisticate, and extremely efficient library which will be the most modern in the world."

MoD aims to extend youth training

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

The Ministry of Defence is considering ways of extending the youth training opportunities, both in the armed services and among its civilian workers, which it offers to unemployed school-leavers.

Last June, the Manpower Services Commission announced that from next April, the 12 months training offered under the Government's Youth Training Scheme, was to be increased to two years. Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, is now seeking ways of implementing that extension in schemes run by his department.

However, the ministry's schemes have had very limited success. The Armed Forces Youth Training Scheme, which puts people aged 17 and 18 into uniform and provides training in skills that have civilian applications, was launched in August 1983 with the intention of providing 5,000 places a year. Up to the end of last year, fewer than 1,500 youngsters had accepted places.

The ministry's civil employment training scheme was launched in 1983, and was expected to provide about 2,000 places a year. In March this year, only 650 were receiving training. The two schemes cost the Government a total of about £20 million a year, but only a small proportion comes out of the defence budget.

This poor take-up of places has been a disappointment to Mr Heseltine, and his ministers, and while they will be keen to find ways of extending the schemes, they will be anxious to avoid a repetition of the embarrassingly low response they have received so far.

Whatever proposals emerge, they will not in any way resemble conscription.

Lancashire pit to join UDM

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

The biggest colliery in Lancashire voted yesterday to join the breakaway Union of Democratic Mineworkers, whose Nottinghamshire members have decided to accept a pay offer of nearly 6 per cent.

Further defections from the National Union of Mineworkers are expected in Leicestershire and Warwickshire in the wake of the pay settlement, which is likely to be accepted in south Derbyshire this week. The National Coal Board is demanding a written assurance from the NUM that it concedes the principle of incentive payments, before a pay offer is made to it.

In two days of pithead balloting, Nottinghamshire miners voted by two to one to accept the wages deal.

The agreement gives pitmen an extra £5.50 a week plus shift bonuses. Mr Roy Lynk, the Nottinghamshire general secretary, will now begin negotiating with the board on a productivity scheme.

The vote to join the UDM at Lancashire's biggest colliery, Agecroft in Salford, came 11 days after its miners decided by more than to leave the NUM.

Agecroft with its 560 miners, is the second pit outside the moderate heartlands of Nottinghamshire and south Derbyshire to join the UDM.

Kinnock to keep up attack on Militants

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Mr Neil Kinnock is expected to return to the attack on Labour's Trotskyist Militants in a speech to a Fabian rally in London tomorrow.

It was said last night that the Labour leader would take the opportunity to restate his commitment to democratic socialism – freedom, democracy, equality – and his outright opposition pursuit of democratic centralism.

But there is every indication that the Conservatives are going to continue to play on Labour's difficulties with the Militant Tendency, particularly its inability to get rid of Mr Derek Hatton and other known Trotskyists from the Militant stronghold of Merseyside.

Mr Norman Tebbit, the Conservative Party chairman, said in a weekend speech: "If Neil Kinnock ever got to Downing Street, the left would move in with him. The trade union bosses, the strutting town hall Trots and the rent-a-mob bosses would swagger in to demand their pay off – or else.

Labour Party headquarters has completed a draft statement on democratic socialism, which was commissioned in an attempt to bolster the efforts of grassroots party moderates to isolate and expel known Trotskyists.

It is known when the draft is to be considered and endorsed by the party leadership, although it has been suggested that a weekend meeting of the national executive and Shadow Cabinet might be called to discuss it.

Labour leaders believe that expulsion of know Militants can be realistically taken only by constituency parties; that a national executive purge would bog the leadership down in legal challenges and would create martyrs who would have a right to take their appeals direct to the annual party conference.

£178,000 fund inquiry

Britain's biggest Civil Service union has launched an inquiry into the possible misuse of more than £178,000 by supporters of the Militant Tendency who were among leaders of the 10-month dispute at the Department of Health and Social Security computer centre in Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The report by accountants working for the 150,000-member Civil and Public Services Association discloses that an unauthorized bank account was opened by strike activists.

Mr Alistair Graham, right-wing general secretary of the union, said yesterday there were "a lot of unanswered questions".

Two deny dishonesty in JMB affair

Two of the central figures in the latest allegations surrounding the Johnson Matthey Bankers affair both made vehement weekend denials of accusations of improper and illegal conduct.

Mr Ian Fraser, the bank's former loan director and Mr Abdul Shamji, a Uganda Asian businessman, were named in the House of Commons on Friday by Mr Brian Sedgemore, Labour MP for Hackney South and Shoreditch.

Mr Fraser, said to have given loans in return for bribes including mistresses and a flat, said in a statement that most of the allegations "border on the ridiculous".

"While possible errors of judgement can, with hindsight, be identified, I have done nothing dishonest or crooked. None of my reports or recommendations as to the granting of loans was ever, at any stage, influenced by improper considerations."

Mr Shamji, who established the Gomba group, owner of three London theatres, after fleeing from Idi Amin's Uganda, was said by Mr Sedgemore to be a "crook". Mr Shamji owed JMB £21 million.

Mr Shamji was reported yesterday to have denied the allegations and said the Government was intending him to be the scapegoat.

Police feared provocation

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Tottenham police commanders did not use special plans for preventing disorder on the Broadwater Farm estate in the hours before the riot last month because they feared the measures were too provocative Sir Kenneth Newman, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, said yesterday.

During an interview on Channel Four's *Face the Press* programme Sir Kenneth was asked about the Tottenham riot and criticism of the police strategy in *Police*, the monthly magazine of the Police Federation. The magazine, reporting criticism of police leadership, had disclosed that contingency plans drawn up for the estate meant officers would take control of its many walkways to prevent disorder spreading.

Sir Kenneth said the handling of events at Tottenham, in which an officer was killed and shots were fired by rioters, had been a matter for local commanders. He would not level any criticism because an operational review of the riot was taking place.

He said it was easy to second-guess officers after the event and said: "You have got to remember that present in the minds of operational commanders at that time would be the sensitive considerations arising from the death of Mrs Jarrett. They would not want to be seen provoking reaction by operating the contingency plan and manning the walkways."

Mrs Cynthia Jarrett died of a heart attack during a police search of her home the day before the riot.

Sir Kenneth accepted that some officers had felt "a little disenchanted" about the way things had been handled at Tottenham, but pointed out that there had been traps.

'Powerless' on disorders

Mr Enoch Powell yesterday suggested that the Government was powerless to deal with the fundamental problems of public disorder (our Political Correspondent writes).

He said in a TV-am interview: "I do wish that the Conservative Party did not inscribe law and order on its banners, because I do not believe that a political party, or government, or parliament can appreciably alter those very deep-seated factors which cause the fluctuations in public tranquillity and public disorder.

The Ulster Unionist MP for Down South said that the riots of Tottenham and Brixton would not have happened if the racial balance of the community had not been radically changed.

There had been no government contradiction of his prediction that at least one third of London's population would soon be of black or Asian origin, he said. "If that is so, that in itself involves an immense vista of growing tensions."

Mr Powell also said that any Anglo-Irish agreement on the future of Ulster would deeply arouse "people's passions and fears".

UK labour costs are 'too high'

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

The Confederation of British Industry today backs its call for stringent pay restraint in the next two years with new figures showing that manufacturing industry's labour cost competitiveness has deteriorated by 10 per cent in the past year compared with Britain's main trading partners.

Sir Terence Beckett, the organization's director general, said companies should try to hold down wage rises this year to a level 2 per cent lower than last year's settlements, followed by another 2 per cent reduction in 1986-87.

Latest figures from the CBI's pay data bank show that since August pay settlements in manufacturing have averaged 6.5 per cent, the same as in the first seven months of the year. This means that firms will have to negotiate wage increases of little more than 4 per cent this year to comply with the employers' expectations, and 2 per cent next year.

But because of the wide disparity in settlements, some firms will have to hold down pay rises to 2 per cent this year and then attempt a wages freeze.

Today's employment affairs report suggests that Britain has recovered from recession in many respects, but that competitors such as the United States, Japan, West Germany and France have done better.

Between 1975 and the third quarter of 1985, Britain is estimated to have become more than 30 per cent less labour-cost competitive. Manufacturing industry productivity rose by 3.5 per cent in the year up to June; but that compares with 6 per cent in Holland, 5 per cent in France and Japan and 4 per cent in Italy. Earnings in Britain are growing twice as fast as the average for its main competitors.

As a result of the higher value of sterling, labour-cost competitiveness has deteriorated by 25 per cent against the United States and 8 per cent against West Germany since March.

The Times overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 29; Belgium B frs 60; Canada $2.75; Canaries Pes 170; Cyprus 70 cents; Denmark Dkr 9.00; Finland Mark 9.00; France Frs 8.00; Germany DM 3.50; Gibraltar 60p; Greece Dr 160; Holland Gl 3.50; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2500; Luxembourg Lf 45; Madeira Esc 170; Malta 35c; Morocco Dir 10.00; Norway Kr 9.00; Pakistan Rps 18; Portugal Esc 170; Singapore $3.50; Spain Pes 170; Sweden Skr 9.00; Switzerland Sf Frs 3.00; Tunisia Din 80.00; USA $1.75; Yugoslavia Din 350

Labour's front bench

The complete Opposition front bench team for the 1985/86 parliamentary session, including junior appointments:

Treasury and Economic Affairs: Mr Roy Hattersley*, Mr Terry Davis, Dr Oonagh McDonald, Mr Tony Blair.

Home Affairs: Mr Gerald Kaufman*, Mr Clive Soley, Mr Alf Dubs (Race relations and immigration), Mr Robin Corbett.

Energy: Mr Stan Orme*, Mr Ted Rowlands, Mr Alex Eadie.

Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs: Mr Denis Healey*, Mr George Robertson (EEC affairs), Mr Donald Anderson, Mr George Foulkes.

Employment: Mr John Prescott*, Mr John Evans, Mr Barry Sheerman†, Miss Clare Short.

Campaigns Co-ordinator: Mr Robin Cook*.

Leader of the House: Mr Peter Shore*, Mr Alan Williams.

Trade and Industry: Mr John Smith*, Mr Bryan Gould, Mr Alan Williams, Mr Geoffrey Robinson (Regions), Mr Gordon Brown.

Education: Mr Giles Radice*, Mr Andrew Bennett, Mr Barry Sheerman†

Environment: Dr John Cunningham*, Mr Jack Straw, Mr Jeff Rooker (Housing), Mr John Fraser (Housing), Mr Denis Howell (Sport), Dr David Clark ("Green" policies).

Northern Ireland: Mr Peter Archer*, Mr Stuart Bell.

Wales: Mr Barry Jones*, Mr Roy Hughes.

Health and Social Security: Mr Michael Meacher*, Mrs Margaret Beckett, Miss Harriet Harman.

Defence and Disarmament: Mr Denzil Davies*, Mr Kevin McNamara, Mr Martin O'Neill.

Scotland: Mr Donald Dewar*, Mr Harry Ewing, Mr John Maxton, Mr John Home Robertson (Agriculture).

Health: Mr Frank Dobson, Mr John Marek.

Transport: Mr Bob Hughes, Mr Peter Snape, Mr Roger Stott.

Agriculture: Mr Brynmor John, Mr John Home Robertson, Mr Stuart Randall.

Arts: Mr Norman Buchan.

Disabled people: Mr Alf Morris.

Legal Affairs: Mr John Morris, QC, Mr Nick Brown.

Overseas Development and Co-operation: Dr Stuart Holland.

Science and Technology: Dr Jeremy Bray.

Women's Rights: Miss Jo Richardson.

Chief Whip: Mr Derek Foster*

Chairman, PLP: Mr Jack Dormand*

Leader of the Labour peers: Lord Cledwyn of Penhros.

Opposition Chief Whip, Lords: Lord Ponsonby*

Labour Peers' Representative: Lord Oram*.

* denotes member of Shadow Cabinet.

† responsibility for education and training for over 16s.

Daily Telegraph denies planning new share issue

As speculation continued at the weekend about future financing and possible management changes at the *Daily Telegraph*, the company reiterated in today's editions of the newspaper that there was no intention to issue any new ordinary shares in the near future.

Financial results for the first half of the present financial year will be published "very shortly", the statement added.

Lord Hartwell, the company's chairman, has said that a first half loss has been expected, due mainly to what he described as "one-off" costs. Results for the full year would be better, he added.

He also said the company might seek more loan facilities although "not in a major way". He added: "There will be no new share capital, at least not for a long time".

● The publisher of Mirror Group Newspapers, Mr Robert Maxwell, is to take legal action over a *Sunday Times* article yesterday which claimed his group had cash flow problems and was heading for a £20 million loss.

Cuts in farm services opposed

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

The Institution of Professional Civil Servants is to resist plans to charge farmers for government research services, announced in the Commons last week, which it describes as "unworkable".

Mr Michael Jopling, Minister of Agriculture, said last week that he was aiming for a net saving of £16.5 millions in the financial year 1987-88, to be achieved by charging for services at present supplied free and cutting by 8 per cent the staff of the ministry's Agricultural Development and Advisory Service (Adas).

In response, Miss Wendi Harrison, the institution's assistant secretary, said at the weekend that charging would jeopardize conservation, animal welfare, the spread of good farming practices and freedom of research information, all of benefit to the community at large.

ADAS had already been pared to the bone. Its staff had been reduced by 15 per cent since 1980, and the closure of four laboratories announced last month would mean the loss of 145 more jobs. Its survival as a viable organization was now at stake, she added.

The response of farming organizations has so far been muted. That may indicate some recognition of the fact that Adas, which employs nearly 5,000 people and last year cost about £160 million to administer, has no equivalent anywhere else: it is an arm of government, funded by the taxpayer, which at present provides free information and advice to a privately owned industry.

The service is divided into four constituent services to give "free and impartial scientific, professional and technical advice to farmers, growers and landowners." That advice covers a range of subjects from bee-keeping to wildlife conservation, from plant pathology to the design of farm buildings.

Statutory duties including pest control, advice on the safety of pesticides, the monitoring and control of animal and plant diseases, prevention of environmental pollution, land drainage and sea defences, fisheries management and the administration of the state veterinary service.

CHILDREN IN DANGER CAMPAIGN

WANTED: 10,000 PEOPLE PREPARED TO ENROL IN THE 'CHILDREN IN DANGER' CAMPAIGN.

This is an appeal to every parent, every adult in the country who shares our concern for what is happening to Britain's children. It is an appeal by a child-care charity with over a hundred years experience in the field.

We are alarmed by what is happening. By child battering. By youth unemployment. By drug abuse. By family breakdown. By the inescapable fact that hundreds of thousands of families with children live the wrong side of the poverty line.

We work in the frontline of these problems. That is why we now need your help. We have no sentimental or harrowing pictures to show you. But we do have a lot of facts to report and a lot of work that needs developing when we raise more money.

What we'd like from you is an immediate donation or a covenant. But, first and foremost, we would like to tell you more about the 'Children in Danger' campaign. Just return the coupon and we will send you a free information pack. Either way, we ask you to be interested, if you have any feeling for children.

We want you to be one of the 10,000 people prepared to join us in this campaign.

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Children in Danger Campaign,
National Children's Home
85, Highbury Park, London N5 1UD

Please send me details of the Children in Danger campaign.

I enclose an immediate donation of £_____ to help you in your work.

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If you care, commit yourself.



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More information sought to help patients choose family doctor

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Family doctors should be able to provide more information about their services to help potential patients decide which practice to join, the Royal College of General Practitioners has recommended.

The move comes as health ministers have been considering whether GPs should be allowed to advertise their services in an attempt to increase competition among family doctors.

In a paper sent to the General Medical Council which is reviewing its guidelines on doctors' advertising, the college himakes it clear it is vehemently opposed to advertising. But it says there is increasing support among doctors for the principle of providing more information to patients about GPs' services. More and more family doctors are producing information leaflets, the college says.

These can include details ch as surgery times, whether a eputizing service is used, appointment systems, and information about other staff such as health visitors or nurses. They may detail maternity services, arrangements for special groups of patients such as diabetics, screening and contraceptive services and, if available, other forms of treatment such as acupuncture and homeopathy. The college says it considers all such items "acceptable" for inclusion.

"Patient information leaflets are produced for distribution to patients who are registered with them", the college says, but "alternative and wider means of distribution are more contentious".

The college says that while such leaflets should be distributed only by the practice itself, and normally only to patients who are registered with it, "they could be available to potential patients who are considering registering".

The move marks a distinct shift by GPs, although the college's document makes it clear it still has reservations.

"There is no clear-cut boundary between giving patients information about a practice and the advertising of its services. What is clear, however, is that the presentation of information in a factual way is acceptable". Anything that suggests the practice's services are superior to those of local colleagues is not acceptable, however.

"The key question must be 'why is this information being provided?'. If it is to facilitate an informed choice by patients seeking treatment, then this is acceptable. But if it is to enable a doctor to gain professional advantage and in this way to attract patients to his practice then it is not".

Chief is 'outraged' at eviction threat

The Nigerian chief whose two wives, 18 children and two nieces face eviction from a London hotel where Westminster council had been housing them, has said he is outraged at their treatment.

Interviewed in Lagos by BBC Radio, Chief Okerentugba Thompson said he would fly to Britain as soon as he could obtain a visa and would repay the council in full.

The council has refused to continue paying the £200 a night bill for the stranded family. The bill up to Saturday night was £5,520.

He said that the only reason he had not already gone to London to sort out the family finances was the delay by the British High Commission in Lagos in granting him a visitor's visa. "I have never asked the British Government or taxpayer for £1 assistance," he said.

The family has been accommodated at the Lancashire Hotel, Paddington, west London, since being evicted from a mansion owned by Mrs Sonya Khashoggi.

Council officials had told the family that, after declining a free flight home, they would be "on their own" from yesterday. The Council's housing committee offered a paid flight home to Lagos, costing £5,700 but the family rejected the tickets

A Foreign Office spokesman said that the chief went to the High Commmission in Lagos last week to apply for an entry certificate but during the interview he said he no longer wanted to continue with the application.



Mr Cyril Demarne, a London firefighter during the blitz, with the bronze statue by John Mills which he commissioned. It was unveiled yesterday at London Fire Brigade headquarters at Lambeth, south London (Photograph: Dod Miller).

Coach and camping offer at £13 a head

By Derek Harris

With a new range of coach holidays to the Mediterranean sunspots from Intasun, and the publication of Horizon's summer 1986 main brochure, this week there will be another surge of low-priced holidays on the market.

But with the big tour operators all reporting record sales of their main holiday offerings the spate of increasingly competitive loss-leader holidays with special offers of £30 and less now seems to be over for the time being.

Intasun, part of Mr Harry Goodman's International Leisure Group (ILG), will deliver a number of specialist brochures to the travel agents this week, including one range of Greek holidays with prices down compared with the past season.

A new express coach and camping holidays brochure will offer south of France holidays in early May for families of six at £78, or £13 a head. With this programme and another for coach travel to Mediterranean hotels Intasun will be putting about 10,000 holidays on the market at less than £100.

Horizon, which has been aiming to match the low overall prices announced by Thomson Holidays, has already sold 100,000 of its summer 1986 holidays even before its main brochure is out. When the brochure appears later this week a substantial number of holidays is expected to be on offer at less than £100, with the cheapest at £64 for a self-catering week in Ibiza during April.

Horizon claims it will undercut Intasun by £20 per holiday and match Thomson prices where there are commonly shared hotels.

With Horizon expected to offer about 500,000 holidays next summer, twice as many as its 1985 programme, the trade is expecting it to offer at least 20,000 holidays at less than £100.

Thomson Holidays, the market leader which set off the price war with cuts of about 20 per cent, claims to have sold already almost 650,000 holidays, eight times as many as at this time last year. Its offer of £79 stand-by holidays ended last week, with 75,000 holidays sold.

Hoseasons Holidays, which claims to be the biggest provider of self-catering holidays in Britain, is pegging prices to next summer's levels for anybody booking 1987 holidays before next year.

Negligent landlords face tighter controls

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

Increased rights for tenants and leaseholders of privately-owned blocks of flats, imposing greater controls on landlords, are recommended in the report of the government-appointed committee to be published on Thursday.

The proposals, some of which will require legislation, include measures to tackle landlords who neglect their buildings and levy extortionate service charges.

The committee, under the chairmanship of Mr Edward Nugee, QC, recommends that residents should have the right to appoint their own manager to carry out repairs if the landlord or his agents fail to do so.

It also proposes that a housing court or tribunal be set up, on the lines of the small claims court, to deal informally and cheaply with complaints between landlord and tenant.

Both these proposals are in line with submissions from residents' groups, and it was known that the inquiry was interested in a court case in which the question of a receiver-manager to take over repairs was raised.

One of the main recommendations is likely to suggest the right of residents to have first refusal on the freehold of a block if the landlord wants to sell.

Residents' groups had recommended that residents should be given the right to buy freehold regardless of the landlord's intentions, and also the right to appoint the managing agents.

The inquiry was set up by the then Housing Minister, Mr Ian Gow, in 1983, after increasing concern about management in privately-owned blocks of flats, particularly in London and the south of England, and in the light of an investigation by a Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors' working party the previous year.

It invited submissions from several organizations and groups involved, received 2,500 responses to questionnaires and carried out small surveys in Barnet, Westminster, Lambeth, Hove and Solihull.

A survey by the Greater London Council earlier this year found that more than 17,000 of the 350,000 private tenants in its area had recently suffered serious harassment from their landlords or managing agents.

Third death from Legion disease

The outbreak of Legionnaire's disease at Glasgow Royal Infirmary claimed its third victim yesterday when a man aged 71 who had had vascular surgery died.

There are eight more confirmed cases at the hospital, one of whom remains seriously ill. The rest are improving. There is also one suspected case.

Diners to enjoy royal menus

Payne and Gunter, the catering company, which is celebrating its bicentenary next year, is offering the public the chance to enjoy some of the menus it has served at stage banquets.

At banquets in the dining rooms of London livery companies and at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, diners will pay up to £50 a head for the favourite foods of monarchs including Napoleon III, the Prince Regent and Queen Victoria.

Couple escape crossing crash

British Rail ordered an inquiry last night after Mr Robert Alley, aged 22, and his friend, Miss Melanie Jones, aged 20 escaped unhurt after their car was wrecked by a train which hit them on an unmanned level crossing at Cookham, Berkshire.

Mr Alley, of Fleet, Hampshire, said: "I was on the crossing and saw the train just yards away. I slammed on the brakes but the road was so wet that the wheels locked and I skidded."

£1,000 for a British fast food

A £1,000 prize is being offered in a competition to find a British fast food alternative to the hamburger, organized by *Caterer & Hotelkeeper* magazine. It must be an item of hot savoury food, made from fresh home-produced materials.

Entries, describing the product in not more than 300 words and accompanied by a photograph or drawing, should be sent by March 27 to British Fast Food Competition, Room 1405, Quadrant House, the Quadrant, Sutton, Surrey SM2 5AS.

Protesters attack cruise convoy

Two groups of about 70 Greenham nuclear protesters caused confusion when they attacked cruise missile convoy support vehicles being driven into their base in Berkshire yesterday.

A vehicle was forced to swerve and crashed into the main gate to the base, causing damage to the security fence. Another support transporter overturned on the main road.

Yard denies identity of rapist is known

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Scotland Yard yesterday denied reports that detectives know the identity of the M4 rapist or suspect he could be a policeman.

During the weekend fresh details of the man who has been linked to the murder of a prostitute in Park Lane, London, last week, the abduction and rape of a woman driving on the M4 and two other rapes in Surrey were released by the officers in charge of the hunt.

The man has taken details of several of his victims' home addresses and the women have been given a police guard. Detectives say that the rapist has an interest in Zen Bhuddism and could be modelling himself on Clint Eastwood, the film actor.

The man is said to be keen to give the impression that he is totally in control of his emotions and has expressed to the women an interest in becoming a millionaire.

Two cars have been linked to the man and police are checking records of recent models of white Audis and dark-coloured MG Maestros and Montegos. In the attack on the prostitute the man used a car with false number plates and the real owner of the registration has been traced and cleared.

More than 150 officers are involved in the search and are based in London, Surrey and Wiltshire. They have been brought together under the command of a London officer

The man they are hunting is said to be in his mid-20s and the police have released a drawing showing a suspect with fair collar-length hair. He is first thought to have struck on October 16 in Banstead, Surrey, and then again three days later at Ashtead. In both cases girls in their teens were raped.

The victim on the M4 was a woman aged 40 whose car was bumped by an Audi.

Ford loses sales car lead

By Hugh Clayton

The Vauxhall Cavalier has overtaken the Ford Sierra as the most popular car for salesmen, according to a survey published today of more than 3,000 sales and marketing staff throughout industry.

The survey, published by the Institute of Marketing, gives detailed analysis of an exceptionally competitive area of industry. It also shows how the complexity of modern salary "packages" has made basic pay unreliable as a guide to the reward for many jobs.

No car has inherited the dominance among sales staff that was maintained by the Ford Cortina before the Sierra replaced it.

Pay: Amounts vary enormously among companies. The £36,000 basic pay of a managing director in a large company is 10 times that of the lowest-paid sales clerk in a small organization. But the compilers of the survey point to a clear squeeze this year of middle-ranking staff, who have received smaller pay rises than their juniors, while top managers and directors have been well rewarded, sometimes with more than £10,000 in a year, from profit-sharing schemes.

Cars: Few staff at any level in the survey are expected to keep their company cars for more than three years, and a small minority at all levels are given a different car every year. Well over half of those among senior management who report to board directors have free use of company cars for private driving.

Nights away from home: Few of those surveyed are never expected to spend a night away from home, but few have to do so more than 30 times a year. Most are allowed to spend between £30 and £40 on bed and breakfast.

Public transport: Few at any level use first-class air travel, but a large minority at all but the lowest levels are allowed to travel club class. Most board directors are bought first-class train tickets.

Holidays: When public holidays are excluded, few staff receive fewer than four weeks' holiday, but most have five weeks or slightly less, and even at board level only a few have six weeks.

Hours: Only the lowest ranks admit to working fewer than 40 hours a week, while almost everyone above the level of sales representative does between 40 and 50 hours. A large minority of senior managers work more than 50 hours a week.

MOST POPULAR COMPANY CARS (%)

	1983	1984	1985
Vauxhall Cavalier	18	21	22
Ford Sierra	29	27	20
Ford Escort	8	8	5
Ford Granada	6	5	5
Vauxhall Carlton	–	3	4
Rover	5	4	3
Ford Orion	–	1	3
Austin Montego	–	–	3
Volvo	–	2	3
Austin Maestro	–	2	2

Source: Institute of Marketing

Inquiry call on £1.5bn dockscheme

By Charles Knevitt, Architecture Correspondent

Opposition is mounting to plans to build a £1.5 billion commercial development at Canary Wharf, in London Docklands, which would include three skyscrapers 850ft high, 250ft taller than the National Westminster Bank Tower in the City, which is the tallest building in Europe.

The London Docklands Development Corporation approved the scheme in principle last month. The Greater London Council has formally requested Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for the Environment, to order a public inquiry, which also has the support of the Docklands Consultative Committee, Docklands Forum, the Joint Docklands Action Group and local conservation societies.

The Royal Fine Art Commission will tour the 70-acre site, on the Isle of Dogs, tomorrow and will be given a presentation of the scheme on Wednesday.

An international consortium of American and Swiss banks, headed by Mr G Ware Travelstead, an American developer, is behind the plan to build up to 10-million sq ft of offices, retail space, hotels and other facilities, which would be the largest single development built in Britain. The architects are Skidmore, Owings and Merril of Chicago, I M Pei of New York and YRM of London.

Mr Travelstead claims that the development would create 31,000 new jobs and a £70 million rates boost to Tower Hamlets council, doubling its rate income.

But opponents of the scheme are concerned about the speed with which the corporation is pushing ahead with the plan, without consulting the boroughs which would be affected, and the fact that normal planning permission is not required because it is mostly in the Isle of Dogs enterprise zone.

The GLC is taking legal advice on ways of forcing an inquiry. It is particularly concerned about the scheme's conflict with policies approved in the Greater London Development Plan, and the corporation's own design and development guide; the key impact it would have on travel and transport. Letters, page 17

Public backs museum charges, poll shows

By David Hewson, Arts Correspondent

The public is broadly in favour of the introduction of entrance charges for museums and galleries, according to a MORI poll.

Its findings tend to support the arguments of the Victoria & Albert Museum, which last week introduced a voluntary admission charge of £2 because it believes that there has been a public shift in support of paying for entrance to heritage institutions.

V&A officials examining the admission figures for the first week of the entrance scheme believe that they have not been affected by the charges even with the presence of a protest group from the Civil Service unions outside the museum.

The MORI poll, conducted for the Royal Armouries, shows that the public approves corporate sponsorship even if it means advertising within museums. Those regarded as cultural "activists" are more in favour of sponsorship than irregular visitors.

A total of 61 per cent of those interviewed believed that museums ought to raise some of their funds through admission charges, rather than depending totally on government grants. The idea was opposed by 27 per cent of those interviewed.

When charges were first introduced more than a decade ago they provoked a public outcry. But a number of museum and gallery directors believed that the climate of opinion has now changed.

Three nationally-funded institutions, the National Maritime Museum, the V&A and the Imperial War Museum, operate admission charge schemes.

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MUSEUM FUNDING

Response to the statement "I would be happy to see museums receive sponsorship from large companies, even if it meant some advertising inside museums", broken down into socio-economic groups:

(all figures percentages)

All	AB	C1	C2	DE
70	68	69	73	69

Museums should raise some of their funds through admission charges, rather that totally depending on government grants:

61	61	64	63	58

Museums and galleries visited

British Museum	31
Armouries of Tower of London	28
Natural History Museum	28
Science Museum	27
V & A	25
York Castle Museum	24
Tate Gallery	20
Imperial War Museum	20
National Gallery	19

Source: MORI poll for the Royal Armouries among representative quota sample of 2,057 adults 15-plus in 174 constituencies throughout Britain from January 15 – 20, 1985 © MORI.

Mother to prosecute police

An Edinburgh mother is to mount a private prosecution against Grampian police officers who, she alleges, took her son aged 14 away for interrogation and had his stomach emptied in a search for heroin. No drugs were found and the mother claims the boy was returned to her distressed and badly bruised.

This will be only the second criminal prosecution brought by a private individual in Scotland. The first was in the Glasgow rape case in 1982.

In the latest case, Mrs Joyce Lynch, aged 36, of Brougham Street, Edinburgh, was visiting her husband, William Lynch, on July 21 at Peterhead prison, where he is serving six years for possession of heroin with intent to supply.

She was waiting with three of her five children and the daughter of a friend when they were taken into custody and driven to Peterhead police station. They were told they would be searched for drugs.

Mark Lynch, aged 14, refused to be searched. His mother says she told him to agree to take off his shoes and jacket, which he did. The boy says that without thinking he put a chocolate in his mouth. It is alleged that he was then grabbed by police officers and dragged by the neck into another room. He was taken to Peterhead Hospital for an emetic.

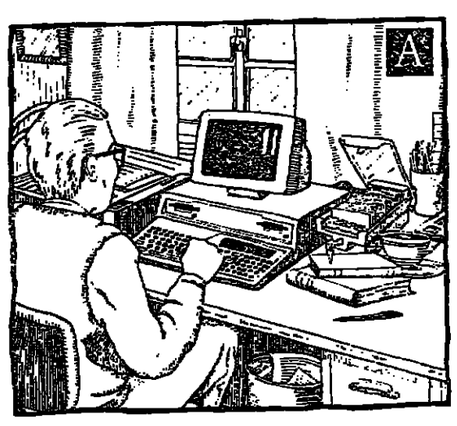
The report of an independent doctor who examined the boy at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary that night confirmed that there were bruises on his neck and three burst blood vessels in his face.

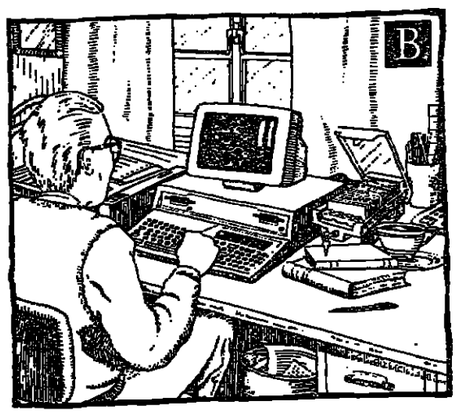
In a letter to Mrs Lynch's solicitor, Mr William Adams, Deputy Chief Constable of Grampian Police, says that the police did lay hands on the boy, attempt to remove something from his mouth and take him to hospital because he was seen to put something in his mouth. They thought it might have been a package containing drugs.

"I am satisfied that in all the circumstances their suspicions were reasonable, although analysis of the material retrieved from Mark Lynch's stomach revealed no evidence of drugs."

The Procurator Fiscal has decided not to prosecute the officers.

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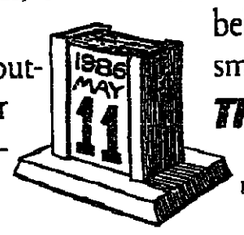
For example, some accounting, payroll and word processing applications may be exempt from the Act.

But a great many are not.

The new Act doesn't just apply to companies and businesses, either.

Freelance professionals, for instance, may well need to register.

People who employ outside computer bureaux or even those who occasionally use computers at home in connection with their work may be affected.



To find out exactly how the Data Protection Act affects you, go to your nearest Crown Post Office and pick up a Registration Pack.

If you have difficulty getting one, write to the Data Protection Registrar at the address below.

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Have you registered yet?

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Marconi, Marie Curie, Gustav Dalén, Henry Ford. Who's the odd one out?

Grazie, Signor Marconi for your radio. Merci, Madame Curie for radium.

Thanks, Henry Ford for your motors. Tack, Dr. Gustav Dalén for the Aga cooker.

No, Dr. Dalén is not the odd one out. Yes, he is the only Swede.

He was also, like Guglielmo Marconi and Marie Curie, a Nobel Prize-winning scientist.

You've probably never heard of him, so who was Gustav Dalén? He is the man to whom thousands of seamen owe their lives; because he invented a thing called Dalén's Sun Valve that turns a lightship's lights on by night and puts them out by day, automatically. That's why they gave him the Nobel Prize.

He was the scientist so dedicated to his work that he was blinded in an explosion during one of his experiments, yet he still went on later to complete the experiment.

He was also the man who invented the only cooker in the world that roasts, bakes, boils, stews, steams, simmers, fries, braises, grills, casseroles and toasts, yes toasts (bet you thought an Aga couldn't, didn't you?) perfectly.

More than that, though, what Dr. Dalén did in 1922 was to reinvent the cooker.

He simply couldn't find a cooker in existence to satisfy his exacting scientific standards.

So combining his knowledge of combustion, metallurgy and nutrition with kitchen common sense, he invented the Aga.

Despite the advent of microwaves and fan ovens, there is still nothing in the world that cooks food better than an Aga.

Remembering what a pain it is waiting for the oven to heat up, Gustav Dalén made sure you never have to do that with his Aga. It's ready anytime.

Then, pondering the inscrutable riddle of the boiling-over pan, he came up with a simmering plate big enough to hold three saucepans that won't let them boil over. Ever.

The boiling plate, though, boils a pint of water faster than an electric kettle. It holds three saucepans, too.

More interesting, perhaps, is the fact that our Dr. Dalén just might have been psychic.

Well, can you think of any other cooker that runs throughout the day on cheap rate overnight electricity? Believe us, there isn't one.

To Gustav Dalén, making a cooker run on the principle of stored heat was just the most efficient way to make it. It still is.

But how was he to know the Central Electricity Generating Board would come up with 'night storage' if he wasn't psychic?

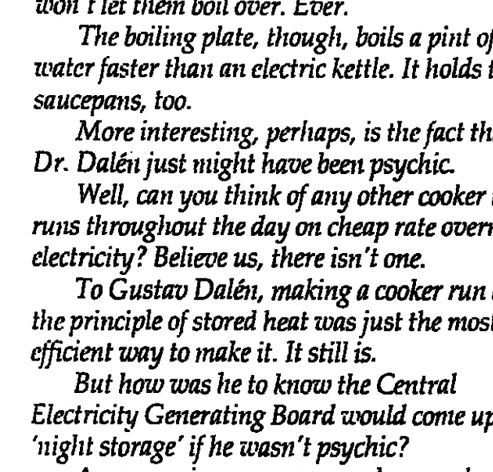
Anyway, since you can now buy an electric Aga (as well as one that runs on natural gas, LPG, oil or solid fuel), it's the only cooker in the world that can run on nothing but off-peak electricity.

Impressed? We thought you might be. If you'd like to see a live Aga, any of our distributors can show you one. Or you can write to us at Aga, Freepost, Ketley, Telford TF1 3BR and we'll tell you all about them.

Oh yes, who is the odd one out? It's Henry Ford. You know him. He's odd because he was no scientist. He was just clever enough to sell cars by the million, saying: "Any colour you like so long as it's black."

Well, you can buy an Aga in green, blue, red, brown, cream, white or even gloriously black vitreous enamel.

Psychic or not, the only really odd thing about Gustav Dalén is that his name wasn't Gustav Aga.



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IT'S A WAY OF LIFE.

Many computer users unaware of law to list personal data banks

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

The clock starts ticking from today for compliance by an estimated 400,000 computer users with the first United Kingdom law to protect individuals from the misuse of personal data stored on computer.

Under the Data Protection Act, 1984, all individuals and companies who process personal information will from today have six months in which to register their data banks with the office of the new Data Protection Registrar, the computer ombudsman.

Failure to do so by May 11, 1986, makes them liable to prosecution for a criminal offence which carries a fine of up to £1,000.

But there are widespread fears that many companies and individuals are unaware that they will have to register. Others wrongly believe that exemptions in the Act are wider than they are and those who know they are covered underestimate the work involved in registration.

Mr Andrew Oakley, a partner with the chartered accountants, Ernst and Whinney, said: "We estimate that for a medium-size company to draw up details of all its data banks and the information they process will take one and a half man years, or for a small company, six man months."

There was a serious risk, he said, that significant numbers of individuals and companies would have failed to comply with the law by May 11.

A recent survey conducted for his company, which is sending out advice packs on how to comply with the Act to about 7,500 individuals and companies, showed that one in 10 companies had not even heard of the Act.

Half were not aware that today marks the beginning of the registration period and a third did not know it was a criminal offence not to register by May 11.

The office of the Data Protection Registrar in Wilmslow, Shropshire, which has about 45 staff including the registrar himself, Mr Eric Howe, is also concerned that the message has not got through to many smaller companies.

It is therefore launching an advertising campaign, aimed particularly at the small computer users.

Registration is the first part of the Act, to be phased in during two years. Those who process personal data on computers must supply details of what information they store, what it is used for and must abide by certain principles about its accuracy and security.

The chief exemptions are data held for purposes of national security, that held by individuals for personal or household affairs and some payroll and accounts data.

The second limb of the Act starts from next March from when individuals will be able to seek compensation through the courts for damage or distress caused by the loss, destruction inaccuracy or unauthorized disclosure of personal data. They will be able to apply to the courts to have inaccurate records put right.

The third limb of the Act, which starts in November 1987, gives the first general statutory right in English law of individuals to have access to personal information stored about them.

There are exemptions for data held for the prosecution or detection of crime, tax collection and assessment, files kept for making judicial appointments, clients' files held by solicitors and medical files where doctors do not believe disclosure would be in the patient's interest.

Already about 250 registrations have been received at Wilmslow

Unesco give way over UK demand for reform

By Nicholas Ashford
Diplomatic Correspondent

The general conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Unesco) ended in Sofia, Bulgaria, on Saturday, three days ahead of schedule, after approving a number of reforms demanded by Britain.

Whitehall now has to decide whether the reforms go far enough for Britain to rescind its notice to quit at the end of this year, unless far-reaching political, administrative and budgetary changes were approved by Unesco. A British decision on whether to leave Unesco or not is expected in about three weeks.

British officials have been careful to avoid providing any clues to the present state of British thinking before ministers have had time to study reports on the conference proceedings which are to be submitted by the British delegate to Unesco, and by Mr Amadou Mahtar M'Bow, the Organization's controversial Director.

Mr M'Bow is due in London in a week's time to urge Britain to remain in Unesco.

Britain's decision may be influenced by moves, supported by Eastern as well as Western delegates, to ensure Mr M'Bow does not serve a third seven-year term when his present stint comes to an end in 1987.

At the end of last week, the Soviet Union and its Eastern bloc allies surprised Western delegates by indicating that they were prepared to join Western nations in opposing a third term for Mr M'Bow.

The Soviet move reflects widespread dissatisfaction with the way Mr M'Bow has run Unesco.

An Eastern bloc diplomat was reported as saying that Mr M'Bow's departure was necessary to "reconcile" Unesco and the United States. The US withdrew from Unesco at the end of 1984, complaining of bad management and persistent bias against Western values.

The US decision prompted Britain to take a similar step a year later.

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Ceasefire monitors criticized

Militants quit talks as Tamils die in Sri Lanka clashes

From Vijitha Yapa, Colombo

More than 30 Tamils have been killed in the last three days in the Eastern Province of Sri Lanka as security forces hunted for guerrillas who killed 10 Sinhalese villagers on November 7, the Sri Lanka Government said yesterday.

In Delhi, four militant Tamil groups pulled out of peace talks with Colombo and asked India, the mediator, to invade Sri Lanka.

The defence ministry said that the Tamils were killed in battles with security forces. Meanwhile, six passengers in a private van were killed near Sittaru village near Trincomlee when Tamil guerrillas exploded a landmine yesterday.

Sri Lanka's ceasefire monitoring committee, barely a month old, is under attack from government circles and the Tamil guerrilla organization, the Eelam National Liberation Front (ENLF).

Government circles say that none of the complaints of the violations of the ceasefire by Tamil guerrillas have been investigated.

The first visit of the committee was to the Boosa detention camp in the south in October, where more than 600 Tamils are held on suspicion of being linked with Tamil guerrillas and separatist activities. They also visited Trincomalee in the Eastern Province in late October, and Jaffna, in the Northern Province, early in November. The visits to the latter two were greeted by bombs near places visited by the committee, though there was no direct threat to the committee members.

The ENLF says the committee is ineffective and the Tamils in Jaffna were not able to meet committee members because of security restrictions. But the committee, which was unable to have hearings on November 4 in Jaffna because of the explosions, subsequently extended its stay to Wednesday.

The secretary general of the committee, Mr Felix Dias Abeysinghe, said that more than 40 people were heard by the committee in Jaffna. He said the 10 members of the committee who visited the Northern Province also went to some of the locations to which reference was made in the course of representation.

The committee consists of 11 members, two nominees of the ENLF.

● DELHI: Four militant Tamil groups have pulled out from the negotiations with Colombo and have asked India, the mediator, to invade Sri Lanka (Kuldip Nayar writes).

The four groups are: Tamil Eelam Liberation Organization, Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, Eelam Revolutionary Organization of Tamils, and Eelam People's Revolutionary Liberation Front.

Delhi is disappointed over the pulling out of the ENLF because it lessens the chances of negotiated settlement.

González opts for Nato

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

Spain's anti-Nato campaigners failed to attract big crowds to rallies yesterday intended to put pressure on the Socialist Government, which has promised a referendum.

Though under preparation for several weeks, only about 15,000 people turned out for a demonstration, according to the police. They marched down the Gran Via, Madrid's most popular street, demanding a "clear and binding" referendum on Nato and the closing down of United States bases in Spain.

Señor Felipe González used his personal prestige only hours before the rally, telling Spaniards that he had changed his mind about leaving Nato.

"I honestly believe I will be defending Spain's interests better by saying we must participate in the Atlantic Alliance," he declared. The referendum is promised for next spring.

Increase in deaths of policemen

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent

Five years into the 1980s more police officers have been killed than in any decade since the nineteenth century, according to a roll of honour prepared for *Police Review*.

The Police Federation has called for capital punishment for the murder of police officers or prison officers on duty, among several other categories of crime.

PC Keith Blakelock, victim of the Tottenham riot, was the 204th police officer to be unlawfully killed in England, Wales and Scotland in the line of duty. His death was the eighteenth of this decade, making it already the most lethal since the record 1880s. Even in those murderous years, only two more officers were killed.

Mr Peter Cripps, secretary of the Constables Central Committee of the Police Federation, said: "We are living in violent times. One police officer killed is too many."

He believed that the public, in spite of some political opposition, would support capital punishment for the murder of police and prison officers and other crimes.

The number of police unlawfully killed since 1829 (by decades) is:- 1830, eight; 1840, 18; 1850, 9; 1860, 18; 1870, 19; 1880, 20; 1890, 13; 1900, 8; 1910, 13; 1920, 7; 1930, 5; 1940, 9; 1950, 10; 1960, 14; 1970, 15; 1980, 18.

Random test call for drivers

Drivers should be subject to random tests to check if they had been drinking, the Institute of Alcohol Studies urged in a report published today.

The legal blood alcohol limit for driving should be cut from 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood to 50 milligrams, it said. In the case of young, inexperienced drivers, the limit should be as low as 20 for the first two years after they pass their driving test.

Dublin split widens over Ulster deal

From Richard Ford, Belfast

The leader of Northern Ireland's Social Democratic and Labour Party has appealed for a consensus reaction among political parties in the republic to the outcome of the Anglo-Irish discussions. But Mr Charles Haughey, leader of the Fianna Fail opposition in the republic, has indicated that he will denounce any deal as a sell-out.

Mr John Hume's plea to the republic's politicians came as he implicitly echoed remarks by Dr Garret FitzGerald, the Irish Prime Minister, who said that "nationalist hopes and aspirations must take second place in the short term" to providing a stable society in Northern Ireland.

Those remarks, which recognize that the dream of Irish unity is many years away, further widened the gulf between the Irish government's approach and that of Mr Haughey, who accused Dr FitzGerald of abandoning Irish unity for "a partitionist policy".

Both Dr FitzGerald and Mr Hume are trying to lower nationalist expectations of what will be in any agreement, and there are now clear and increasingly bitter divisions between their approach and that of the Fianna Fail leader.

With opinion polls giving Fianna Fail a 19-point lead over the coalition government, Mr Haughey launched another broadside against the Dublin government's strategy in the Anglo-Irish talks yesterday.

He said it would be "a disastrous situation" if the Irish government were given a nebulous consultative role in Ulster and became locked into a system over which it had no real control. Any agreement that failed to make substantial progress on the security front would be unacceptable, and Mr Haughey said he feared that an agreement might, in fact, prolong strife and violence.

Mr Haughey's attacks do not, however, go so far as to say that he would scrap any deal reached by Dr FitzGerald. He is carefully leaving open all options should be return to power.



Mr Haughey, who gave warning of a "sell-out".

In his speech to the SDLP's annual conference in Belfast, Mr Hume reflected Dr FitzGerald's approach, saying of the negotiations now nearing completion: "We do not expect a final settlement or an immediate solution. There are no instant solutions, there can only be a healing process. Slogans and aspirations will not suffice."

He hoped that the talks would produce progress.

Throughout his hour-long speech, Mr Hume emphasized the long-term, saying that politicians had to narrow the gap between what was and what ought to be. "The first step towards any sanity is the creation of total equality of treatment of all people, from basic civil rights across to expression of identity", he said.

The SDLP leader said that recent blood-curdling threats from Unionist leaders were the only politic they had, and he said that there would never be peace in Ireland until a British government confronted those threats, fairly and squarely.

It was a difficult speech for the SDLP leader to make, with agreement between London and Dublin confidently predicted within a matter of days.

Police embroiled in Spanish 'Watergate'

Right-wing alarm over political spies

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

Spain's main opposition party has been told by an investigating magistrate that, after months of inquiries, he is satisfied it has been the victim of regular spying by the police. But he said he could no nothing about it.

This was the latest development in what has become known here as the "Spanish Watergate", the systematic surveillance by the police, allegedly at the orders of the ruling Socialist Party, of the right-wing Popular Alliance.

The magistrate Señor José Vázquez Honrubia, said his hands were tied by a Supreme Court ruling.

When the complaints of police spying first led to court proceedings by the Popular Alliance the Supreme Court ruled that no evidence had emerged to direct suspicion either at Señor Alfonso Guerra, the Deputy Prime Minister, or Señor José Barrionuevo, the Interior Minister, who is in charge of the police Intelligence Brigade.

As Government ministers, they have the right to be heard only before the Supreme Court.

Señor Barrionuevo told reporters he was delighted the magistrate had decided to drop the case. But British and Danish Conservatives, meeting last week in Madrid, came publicly to the aid of the Popular Alliance colleagues in the Democratic group of the European Parliament.

They said in a statement that any such police action would be "clearly contrary to what is commonly accepted democratic practice in the European Community".

Señor Vásquez in a statement reminded Spain's politicians that Parliament existed in a democracy to rectify such situations.

The investigating magistrate examined 150 police documents seized. He found they established that the Intelligence Brigade had not only infiltrated the Madrid headquarters of the party, led by Señor Manuel Fraga, but its offices in eight other cities as well. The Popular Alliance has complained that knowledge of its confidential affairs was revealed in certain Socialist leaders' speeches in Parliament.

Señor Barrionuevo, in an earlier debate in Parliament, gave a solemn assurance to MPs that he never given orders to the police to spy on Spain's democratic parties. But he left open the possibility of "isolated actions" by individual officers.

Union leader's complaint against The Times fails

The Press Council has rejected a complaint against *The Times* by Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, over a reported statement about a union merger plan.

The newspaper carried a report by Barrie Clement that Mr Eric Hammond, general secretary of the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union, had disclosed a plan to create the biggest union in the country. It said he had held formal talks with leaders of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers and the ASTMS, and quoted his speech to his union's delegate conference the previous day.

In a telex to *The Times* next day intended for publication, Mr Jenkins said Mr Hammond had made it clear that his concept was a personal one. The next day a correction appeared saying the reported talks were informal, not formal as stated.

Mr Gavin Laird, of the AUEW, told Mr Jenkins in a letter he thought it necessary to put the record straight. He said it was true that he, Mr Hammond and Mr Jenkins had informally explored the possibility of joint services, but there had been no formal discussions with their executives about the possibility of amalgamation or any suggestion that the executives should meet separately or collectively to discuss it.

Mr Jenkins complained to the editor by letter and telex that the correction was untrue and that there had been no talks about mergers, formal or informal. He wrote again asking for his letter to be published.

Mr David Flynn, executive editor, replied that the reference to the talks was derived from Mr Hammond's remarks made to 900 union delegates and other newspapers had also reported them.

Mr Jenkins complained to the Press Council that having published a misleading and inaccurate report the newspaper, without consultation, published an inadequate correction and failed to remedy this. He supplied a letter to him from Mr Hammond who said he confirmed the accuracy of Mr Jenkins's letter to the editor.

Mr Colin Webb, deputy editor, replied that in telephoning the copy the word "informal" was taken down as "formal" so a correction on that point was quickly published.

Mr Webb said he would have been happy to consider a letter from Mr Jenkins which did not assert that Mr Hammond had told him, in private presumably, the opposite of what he had said in public.

The Press Council's adjudication was:

The Times corrected its report that talks had taken place among leaders of the EEPTU, ASTMS and the AUEW by saying the talks were infomal not formal as it had first reported.

The Press Council is not satisfied that the newspaper's original report and interpretation of Mr Eric Hammond's speech to the EEPTU conference was misleading or inaccurate in other respects or that the published correction was untrue or inadequate.

The complaint against *The Times* is rejected.

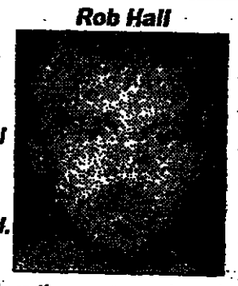
A complaint against *The Sunday Times* about an article linking Israel with torture in Lebanon was upheld by the Press Council.

Mr E. G. Young, of Brampton Grove, Barnet, north-west London, complained that the article unfairly associated the Israeli authorities with torture under a headline which presented unsubstantiated allegations as fact.

The story headlined "Israel's links with torture in Lebanon", from Jim Muir in Beirut, said that Israel and its local militia allies in South Lebanon were maintaining a secret jail near the border where detainees were held in appalling conditions and subjected to beatings and electric torture, according to former inmates and international relief officials. The Israeli Defence Force denied it was connected in any way.

"WHEN I FASTED LAST YEAR . . ."

Rob Hall



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Mrs Mandela defies ban as Cape death toll mounts

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

Four people died in continuing unrest in the Western and Eastern Cape over the weekend and a number of others were wounded, according to police bulletins yesterday. There were no independent accounts of the incidents.

In the Kwazakele township, near Port Elizabeth, a black man was "fatally wounded while allegedly breaking into a home" and a black youth was found hacked to death by unknown assailants, the police said.

A black man was killed "in the return fire" after he had allegedly shot and wounded a policeman near Worcester in the Western Cape, while in Sebokeng township on the West Rand another black died when "a guard fired on a group who attacked him".

More than 800 people, all but a handful of them black, are estimated to have died in the turmoil which has raged in black townships since September last year. More than half the deaths were caused by police action. A state of emergency is in force in parts of the country.

Meanwile, Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of the jailed African National Congress leader, Mr Nelson Mandela, has challenged the police to arrest her by announcing that she will not return to the small Orange Free State town to which she was banished in 1977.

"I will go to Soweto. I will do what everyone does and go home. I am a homing pigeon", Mrs Mandela declared yesterday. She said that she expected the police would arrest her. The Mandela family home is in Orlando West, a district of Soweto, the sprawling black township outside Johannesburg.

At present Mrs Mandela is staying in a hotel in Cape Town

In the latest round in the war of words between the South African Government and the foreign and domestic press, the *Sunday Star* of Johannesburg said yesterday that a letter used by Pretoria as evidence of wrongdoing by foreign journalists was a forgery.

The letter, written to and published in the *Daily Telegraph* in London, was brandished last week on television by Mr Louis Nel, the Deputy Minister of Information. It purported to have been written by a Devon man who claimed to have recently returned from a visit to South Africa during which he allegedly saw a foriegn television crew stage-managing a riot.



A blanket used to cover the body of one of the victims of an armed robbery in which eight people died at a supermarket in Aalst, Belgium lies in front of a shattered window (left); while, inside dazed shoppers recover from their ordeal.

Uganda peace talks on verge of success

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi

Peace talks between Uganda's ruling Military Council and the National Resistance Army (NRA), the guerrilla group which controls large areas of south-west Uganda, appear to be nearing a sucessful conclusion here after three months of argument about the future pattern of government in the country.

Spurred by a virtual ultimatum from President Daniel arap Moi of Kenya, who has chaired the Nairobi peace talks, the two sides have put together a draft agreement for sharing power. The final draft could be put before a plenary meeting, chaired by President Moi, today.

A crucial issue is the future of the estimated 30,000 soldiers and guerrillas still under arms in Uganda over three months after the ousting of President Milton Obote.

The large numbers of young guerrillas – some as young as 12 – should either be sent back to school or found jobs, the Government says. It plans a national appeal for funds to do this, and has asked Britain and other friendly states to help

Meanwhile, the Military Council, which controls Kampala, has agreed to allow the United Nations Children's Fund (Unicef) to fly medical supplies to areas of western Uganda which are controlled by the guerrillas.

Hospitals in these areas are unable to operate because no goods are moving into or out of the NRA-controlled area.

Uganda's acting High Commissioner to Kenya, Mr Jork Bugingo, has left his post here and flown to Britain after being told to return to Kampala for questioning about funds spent by the Ugandan mission, the *Sunday Nation* reported yesterday.

The money is part of a £100 million settlement for assets of the East African Community, which collapsed in 1977. Kenya agreed to pay Uganda in monthly instalments for the Community assets taken over by Kenya. The money is used to finance supplies of oil and other essential goods to Uganda.

Canada moves to update national emergencies law

From John Best
Ottawa

Canada is taking steps to repeal the War Measures Act, a draconian piece of First World War legislation which gives federal authorities virtually unlimited power to deal with real or apprehended national emergencies.

Under proposals now before Cabinet, the Act would be replaced by another providing a system of four graduated responses to crises of different magnitude. It would contain safeguards against any abuse of civil liberties.

The present Act, intended originally to protect national security and to help mobilization in time of war, also covers situations far short of war.

As the associate Defence Minister, Mr Harvie André, told a parliamentary committee recently: "There really is the War Measures Act and nothing else."

The last time it was invoked was during the so-called October crisis of 1970, when terrorists of a Quebec "Liberation" Front kidnapped Mr James Cross, the British Trade Commissioner in Montreal, and Mr Pierre Laport, the Quebec provincial labour minister.

Mr Laporte was murdered, and Mr Cross was held for two months before release, during which time Montreal was virtually taken over by the Canadian Army.

Several hundred suspected terrorists or terrorist sympathizers were put in jail for varying periods without ever being charged.

The four levels of emergency recognized under the proposed new Act are disasters affecting public safety, such as earthquakes or massive chemical spills; emergencies threatening public order, such as riots or outbreaks of terrorism; an international crisis requiring extraordinary controls; and war itself.

Tambo hits at UK

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

In a sharp attack on British policy towards South Africa, Mr Oliver Tambo, leader of the African National Congress, yesterday accused the Government of making a last-ditch attempt to postpone the "inevitable conclusion" that it will eventually have to act to isolate South Africa and support the ANC.

Writing in *The Observer* at the end of a two-week visit to Britain, Mr Tambo chastised Mrs Thatcher for her opposition to sanctions and her refusal to talk to the ANC until it renounces violence.

It was extraordinary, he wrote, that Mrs Thatcher seemed to blame the ANC and its black supporters for the current unrest in South Africa.

"In her remarkable view we, the victims of tyranny, are to blame for the violence unleashed against us."

He pointed out that Britain had not insisted that Zimbabwean nationalist groups renounce violence before setting up the Lancaster House conference in 1979 which led to Zimbabwe's independence.

In his article, Mr Tambo rejected the idea of a federal solution for South Africa, or that South African whites should be offered special constitutional guarantees. Any arrangement which perpetuates racial divisions and privilege is a prescription for continuing tensions and conflict."

Jail doors open for 'Hurricane'

From Trevor Fishlock
New York

New York – Rubin "Hurricane" Carter, aged 48, the former middleweight boxer, is free after spending most of the past 19 years in prison for murders he says he did not commit. His friends shouted with joy as a Judge in Newark, New Jersey, ordered him to be freed (Trevor Fishlock writes).

The Judge said the case against Mr Carter was so constitutionally flawed that the boxer did not deserve to spend "another day or another hour in prison".

Mr Carter's freedom came after a long legal odyssey. He was first convicted in 1967 of taking part in the murder of three people in a New Jersey bar. This verdict was overturned in 1976 but Mr Carter was convicted at a second trial that year and was given a life sentence.



Rubin Carter arriving for the court hearing

Insisting on his innocence, Mr Carter refused to wear prison clothes or eat prison food

The Judge said the prosecution at his second trial had presented a racially biased and uncorroborated summing up.

Jurists blame Betancur for bloodbath

Drug dealers accused of inciting Colombian siege

From Geoffrey Matthews, Bogotá

Colombia's Justice Minister openly accused the nation's nefarious drug racketeers of inciting last week's siege of the Palace of Justice here by subversives of the April 19 Movement (M-19).

At the same time, President Belisario Betancur has been attacked by employees of the jurisdictional branch for not averting the eventual siege bloodbath by negotiating with the guerrillas. The 28-hour drama ended with an estimated death toll of more than 100 after government troops stormed the building on Thursday.

Meanwhile, in the south-western Valle del Cauca province, a traditional M-19 stronghold, fighting flared at the weekend between the subversive group and the security forces. At least 10 soldiers and several guerrillas were killed.

Justice Minister Enrique Parejo Gonzalez renewed government charges that there is an alliance between the cocaine barons and M-19. That much has long been suspected, but he went further by charging that the "mafiosos" had promoted M-19's assault on the Justice Ministry building.

He noted, that, immediately after taking the Palace of Justice, the guerrillas grabbed as their principal hostages 12 members of the Supreme Court, all of whom were subsequently killed, in cold blood by their captors, others in a fire which swept the building.

Dr Parejo said that all the jurists were involved in the processing of extraditions of alleged cocaine "capos" (hoods) to the United Stated under a US–Colombian treaty, and had as a result regularly received death threats. He also claimed that, early in the siege, the guerrillas referred to the extradition treaty. One hostage was told he would be wise to find legal points on which to reject certain proposed extraditions, or otherwise face the fate of Dr Parejo's predecessor as Justice Minister, Rodrigo Lara Bonilla, who was assassinated by contract killers hired by the Mafia last year.

"Either this is all a coincidence, which I discount, or clear evidence that behind the siege was a defensive action on behalf of the dark interests of the drug racketeers", Dr Parejo said.

According to other reports, the subversives early n the siege demanded to be shown documenta relating to proposed extraditions, and then destroyed them. If so, they need not have bothered. It is calculated that 80 per cent of the Justice Ministry's archives were destroyed by the fire, leaving the judicial system effectively paralysed.

Dr Parejo's views are shared by many in the jurisdictional branch, who claim that, in spite of constant death threats received at the Palace of Justice, security was lax.

But the Government has rejected charges levelled by legal clerks, currently threatening strike action, that no attempt was made to find a peaceful solution to the siege.

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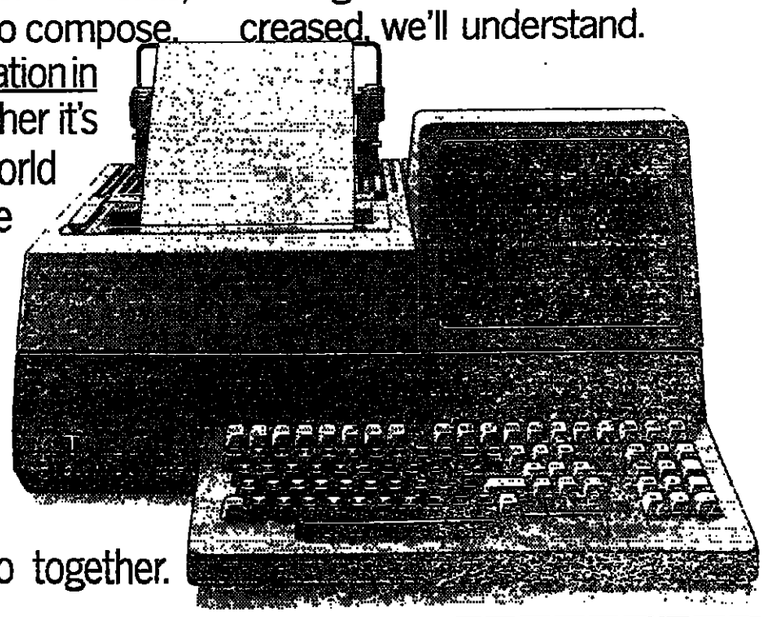
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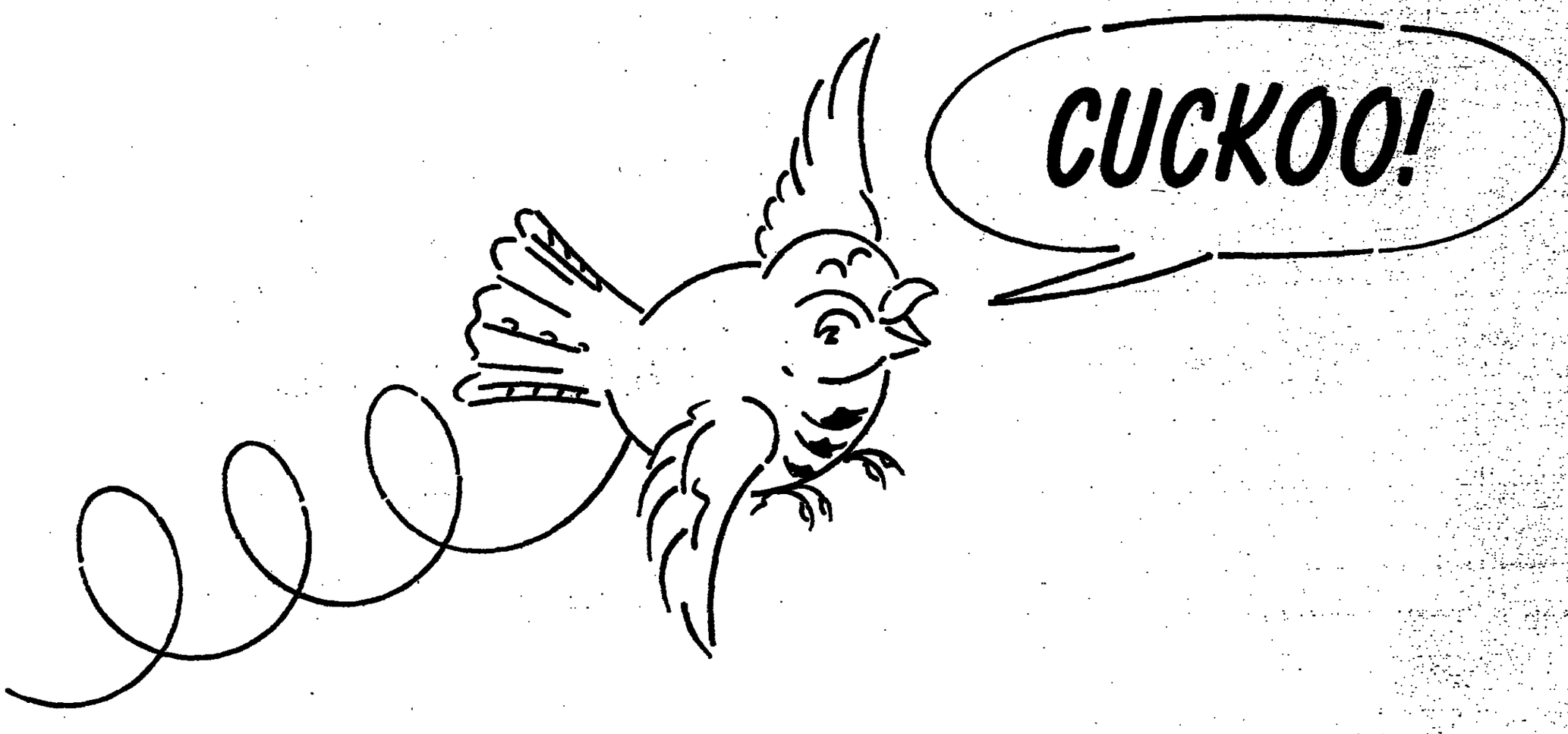
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Dr Runcie asks kidnappers to meet his envoy

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, has asked the Muslim group holding six Americans hostage in Beirut to meet his special envoy, Mr Terry Waite, "as soon as possible".

The request came after the delivery of a letter signed by four of the hostages to the Archbishop's residence in London. The letter, handwritten and marked "confidential, not for publication", was handed to Mr Waite over the weekend after being flown from Beirut.

Mr Waite, who had been forewarned of its contents, said: "It contains a statement I consider to be helpful and it also contains a threat." The threat, he added, was "not very pleasant."

The letter, addressed to the Archbishop of Canterbury, is one of a number which appear to have been sent by four of the hostages.

It bore the signatures of Mr Terry Anderson, aged 38, the Beirut bureau chief of the Associated Press; the Rev Lawrence Jenco, aged 50, a Roman Catholic priest; Mr David Jacobsen, aged 54, director of the American University Hospital in Beirut, and Professor Thomas Sutherland, aged 54, Dean of agriculture at the American University of Beirut.

"I would say that these are the authentic signatures," Mr Waite said. The letter differed substantially, he said, from one sent by the four hostages to President Reagan in which they urged him to negotiate with their kidnappers for their release.

Mr Waite read an official response to the letter which said in part: "The Archbishop is willing that his envoy, Mr Terry Waite, continue to be involved in the matter."

"He requests, as a matter of urgency, that the group holding the four American hostages meet, as soon as possible, with his personal envoy. There are points to discuss which can only be dealt with in a face-to-face meeting."

● CLEVELAND: Mr Glenn Anderson, the father of the American hostage Terry Anderson, said President Reagan's refusal to negotiate with his captors was condemning the hostages to death (Reuter reports).

"If his [Reagan's] pride is more important than these four people's lives, I don't see how he'll be able to sleep for the rest of his life," Mr Anderson was quoted as saying

Plane from Entebbe hijacked

Nairobi (AFP) – A Ugandan Fokker Friendship airliner with 45 people on board was hijacked after taking off from Entebbe for an internal flight.

Government sources blamed guerrillas of the National Resistance Army. They said the plane landed in the south-west of the country, which is controlled by the NRA.

Two Ugandan military men connected with the forces of the former dictator, Idi Amin were to have been on the flight. They missed it.

Guru on bail

Portland, Oregon (Reuter) – Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, the Indian guru accused of arranging marriages so that foreign disciples could stay in the United States, has been freed from jail on $500,000 bail. He left prison in one of his 90 Rolls-Royces.

Jet inquiry set

Delhi (Reuter) – India's official inquiry into the crash of an Air-India jumbo jet in which 329 people died off Ireland on June 23, will begin on November 20.

Kim goes free

Seoul (Reuter) – South Korea has lifted a house arrest order on Kim DaeJung, the leading dissident imposed to prevent his attending a meeting to discuss allegations of police torture.

Jumbo demand

Tokyo (Reuter) – Japan Air Lines has asked the Boeing company for design changes at the rear of jumbo jets after the crash that killed 520 people in August.

Virtue's reward

Baghdad (Reuter) – A Baghdad taxi driver Hajji Jaber, who found 10,000 dinars (£23,000) left in his car returned it and refused a tip: "I would rather ask almighty God to reward me."

Reagan in radio plea to Russians

Here are excerpts from the Voice of America radio address by President Reagan broadcast on Saturday to the Soviet Union.

Your leaders can freely appear on American radio and television and be interviewed by our magazines and newspapers. So I was grateful for my recent and rare opportunity to speak with representatives of the Soviet press. While I appreciate that only parts of the interview were published in *Izvestia*, much of what was left out, I think, is important.

Now, I know that much has been written in the press about America's hostile intentions towards you. Well, I reject these distortions. Americans. Americans are a peace-loving people. We do not threaten your nation and never will.

If and when our research proves that a defensive shield against nuclear missiles is practical, I believe our two nations and those others that have nuclear weapons should come together and agree on how gradually to eliminate offensive nuclear weapons as we make our defensive systems available to all. We ought to start talking about this process at the Geneva arms talks. We must live together

As the world's two strongest nations, we owe it to the rest of humanity not only to keep our word but to help find peaceful settlements to local and regional conflicts in Afghanistan, Africa, Latin America and elsewhere. We must also join forces against terrorism. There is no place in a civilized world for assassinations, terrorist bombings, and other mindless violence.

I want expanded contacts between our two great societies wherever there is mutual interest. I am particularly interested in increasing exchanges among our young people. I hope my discussions with Mr Gorbachov in Geneva will be fruitful and will lead to further meetings. We seek peace, not only for ourselves but for all those who inhabit this small planet.

Karpov's exit gives world chess a champion with a difference

Blitzkrieg Kasparov attains the pinnacle

By Raymond Keene

At 22, Gary Kasparov has become the youngest champion in the century-long history of the world chess championship. He has reached the pinnacle by overthrowing Anatoly Karpov, 12 years his senior and champion since 1975, when the mercurial American, Bobby Fischer, refused to defend his title.

This was a match notable for the splendid form of both players. Karpov and Kasparov have honed their game so perfectly that only the most recondite novelties and profound strategic nuances were able to overturn the balance and create positions capable of being conducted to victory.

Experts spoke of the quality of play in this match in awed tones – possibly as the highest level reached in the century of championship contests.

The match in Moscow fell into four distinct phases:

Games 1-5: Kasparov was off to a good start, but fell into his old errors of impulsiveness and overconfidence. This was particularly in evidence in the two games he lost, 4 and 5. In each he appeared to underestimate Karpov's facility for long-range manoeuvres.

Games 6-10: Kasparov was continually on the attack. In all five games he sacrificed material, pawns, knights, rooks . . . but was not able to break through Karpov's resistance. The champion still led by 5½-4½.

Games 11-19: Kasparov breaks through, starting with a stunning Queen sacrifice in game 11, to force checkmate or a decisive gain of material (Queen sacrifices at this level are rare: the most recent comparable example came in a game between Petrosian and Spasky in 1966). Pressure then mounts on Karpov, with the young challenger firing off theoretical innovations in practically every game – as Black in the Taimanov Variation of the Sicilian Defence and as White in his special variation of the Nimzo-Indian Defence.

Kasparov's handling of the opening will revolutionize the approach to and understanding of these important defensive systems. The result of his new tactics: Karpov crumbles in games 16 and 19, and his opponent seizes a two-point lead.

Games 20-24: The last five games constituted a test of nerves rather than intrinsic chess strength. Game 20 was a war of attrition, concluding in an excruciating draw after nine hours of play and 85 moves. In game 21 Kasparov, anxious to wrap up his victory with a series of painless draws, unwisely conceded half a point from an advantageous adjournment.

And in game 22 Karpov struck back to reduce the lead to a bare point. The 23rd was another draw, which left everything hanging on the 24th and final game.

The battle was not merely between two schools of chess, the volatile *Blitzkrieg* of Kasparov and the subtle python manoeuvring of Karpov, but a clash between two philosophies – the self-contained conformity to the system of the old champion and the brash individualism of his conqueror, a good Soviet citizen, but one not afraid to attack evident corruption in his own country or in the wider context of the World Chess Federation itself.

Apart from his exploits over the board, Karpov made a name for himself as chairman of the Soviet Peace Fund. But Kasparov's new position and his outspokenness, may do more for international relations than did the reticent Karpov.

Matches for the championship were launched in 1886 when Wilhelm Steinitz defeated Johannes Zukertort in a contest played out in New York, St Louis and New Orleans. Since then the supreme title has been held by intellectual giants such as Emanuel Lasker, José Capablanca, Alexander Alekhine and Mikhail Botvinnik.

Yet of the 12 champions the most innovative, the most murderously effective and the most brilliant has generally been held to be Bobby Fischer.

Fischer's international rating soared to a colossal 2780 on the World Chess Federation scale (for comparison a strong Grandmaster would be 2600, a national master between 2200 and 2300). In 1972 he ended the Soviet hegemony over the world title by destroying Boris Spassky in a classic match

But over the past 13 years Fischer has been a recluse.

A dwindling band of devotees persists in maintaining that Fischer remains the true king of chess: indeed, by his total withdrawal, Fischer, like his compatriot, Paul Morphy, has succeeded in preserving a mythical aura of invincibility.

But in reality the world has now passed Fischer by, and the centre of attention has shifted to those actively involved, Kasparov and Karpov. If Fischer were to re-emerge from his 13 years of hibernation, they would both annihilate him.

On top of this, Kasparov's victory and his accession to the chess throne as the thirteenth world champion have now challenged Fischer's past glories. At 22, Fischer, the *enfant terrible* of the chess world, was a prominent Grandmaster, but still a long way from becoming word champion. This had to wait a further seven years.

In this latest match, where Karpov's resistance has been considerably stiffer than was Spassky's in 1972, Kasparov has exceeded the superlative quality of Fischer's games.

If he is not already so recognized, Kasparov now has the chance to become the strongest player in the history of the game.



Kasparov wearing a laurel wreath of victory presented to him at a Moscow ceremony yesterday

Superstar who says what he likes and gets away with it

By Richard Owen

Gary Kasparov's victory gives the Soviet Union a very different kind of champion after Anatoly Karpov's long reign.

On the face of it Kasparov is the product of the same system that produced Karpov. Both made their way to the top via Soviet chess clubs at local and national level, and both men are Communist Pary members. Like Karpov, Kasparov tours the country between tournaments, appearing at youth championships and setting an example of sportsmanship.

But there is another side to Kasparov: he is young at 22, and he is highly unorthodox and – by Soviet standards – open minded. In a country where even superstars are expected to toe the party line, Kasparov says what he thinks – and gets away with it. He is a complete contrast with Karpov, as the two championship matches have emphasised.

Where Karpov is slight, pale and tense, speaking with a high pitched voice, Kasparov is well-built, rather swarthy and informal in style. He is given to mercurial displays of brilliance and occasional temper. He plays football as well as chess, and during the chess championships has been having an ill-concealed friendship with an attractive Moscow actress, a fact which only serves to highlight the contrast with the anaemic Karpov and to enhance Kasparov's reputation with his numerous supporters.

Some of Kasparov's admirers attribute his unorthodox character and behaviour to his provincial origins in Azerbaijan, on the border with Iran in the south of the Soviet Union, and to his mixed Armenian-Jewish blood. Whereas Karpov is a pure Russian, Kasparov's original name was Weinstein. Kasparov still lives in Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan, and retreats there to train and relax whenever possible. His formidable Armenian mother, Klara, has supervised his career and was often present in the hall during both the initial championship bout of 1984-85 and this year's encounter in the Tchaikovsky Hall.

Karpov has recently forfeited much of his popular credit by his unheroic acquiescence in the termination of their previous match and by widespread allegations in Moscow that he is heavily involved in a foreign exchange scandal.

Kasparov's support has broadened on the other hand both amongst ordinary chess and amongst the elite and it is no longer only Russian Jews and Soviet southerners who applaud him, as tended to be the case when he first confronted Karpov's every move. At the very beginning of the re-match Kasparov was given an ovation when he drew white – giving him the opening advantage – and in subsequent games the Moscow crowd was increasingly partisan in its support for the maverick challenger rather than for the orthodox champion.

It is nevertheless difficult to see Kasparov obediently following Kremlin dictates and acting as a mouthpiece for Moscow's "peace" policies, as Karpov did. Kasparov's wry humour and style are against it. The most alarming sign of his outspoken individuality came last February, when Kasparov dismayed chess officials by turning up at the stage-managed press conference called to announce the abandonment of his match with a flagging Karpov. Kasparov disrupted the proceedings by angrily and confidently denouncing the decision and those who had made it.

Previous Champions	International rating*
Bobby Fischer (USA) 1972-75	2780
José Capablanca (Cuba) 1921-1927	2725
Anatoly Karpov (USSR) 1975-85	2720
Emanuel Lasker (Germany) 1894-1921	2720
Mikhail Botvinnik (USSR) 1948-57; 1958-60; 1961-63	2720
Mikhail Tal (USSR) 1960-61	2700
Alexander Alekhine (USSR and France) 1927-35; 1937-46	2690
Vassily Smyslov (USSR) 1957-58	2690
Tigran Petrosian (USSR) 1963-69	2680
Boris Spassky (USSR, now France) 1969-72	2680
Wilhelm Steinitz (Austro-Hungary) 1886-94	2650
Max Euwe (Holland) 1935-37	2650

* based on the calculation of Professor Arpad Elo, founder of the International Rating System.

Kasparov, still only 22, has the chance to surpass all of these. His current rating, published in June, is 2700; it will shoot up when the results of this match are added in December.

For most Soviet public figures such an action would have spelled political and professional disaster. It is a mark of Kasparov's rapidly increasing stature that Soviet sports officialdom was forced to grit its teeth and allow him to resume his challenge for the championship.

The Kremlin no doubt hopes that the sheer weight of the world title and the responsibility of representing the Soviet Union as champion will temper his fiercely impulsive character and convert Kasparov into an exemplary citizen and propagandist as well as the world's number one chess player.

Game-by-game path to chess crown

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Total
Kasparov	1	½	½	0	0	½	½	½	½	½	1	½	½	½	½	1	½	½	1	½	½	0	½	1	13
Karpov	0	½	½	1	1	½	½	½	½	½	0	½	½	½	½	0	½	½	0	½	½	1	½	0	11

Test of courage in tense and bitter final game

By Raymond Keene

Gary Kasparov became the 13th world chess champion, deposing his arch-rival, Anatoly Karpov, in their 24th and final game on Saturday. The game finished in the last minute of the playing session in Moscow's Tchaikovsky Hall.

Kasparov had to win or draw to capture the supreme title, while Karpov had to win to tie the match at 12-12 and retain the championship which had been his for 10 years.

The game, as might have been expected, was tense and bitter, with both players displaying great courage and resourcefulness. Starting with the notoriously double-edged Sicilian Defence, play followed earlier patterns until Karpov lashed out with the aggressive thrust 15 P-KN4, followed swiftly by P-N5.

Kasparov's defence was extremely profound, culminating in the apparently mysterious massing of his rooks in the confined spaces of the closed king's file on moves 23 and 24.

When Kasparov broke out with his 25th move, the black rooks began to play their part in his counter-attack. He sacrificed a pawn on move 28, and this gave him sufficient counterplay to ensure a draw.

Three moves later Karpov should have recognized this fact by retreating with 31 R-N3. But this would have allowed 31 . . . N-R4, drawing by repetition of moves, which would have given Kasparov the title.

Seeking to avoid this disastrous outcome, Karpov stumbled into a fresh sacrifice from his opponent at 31 . . . P-KN4. This unexpected blow swept the remaining shackles from black's forces and in the last few minutes, with Karpov desperately short of time, the white position was routed utterly.

Scenes in the Tchaikovsky Hall at the end were ecstatic.

The final overall score was 13 points to Kasparov and 11 to Karpov. Kasparov won five games, lost three and 16 were drawn.

Twenty fourth game
White Karpov. Black Kasparov.
Sicilian Defence

1	P-K4	P-QB4	2	N-KB3	P-Q3
3	P-Q4	PxP	4	NxP	N-KB3
5	N-QB3	P-QR3	6	B-K2	P-K3
7	0-0	B-K2	8	P-B4	0-0
9	K-R1	Q-B2	10	P-QR4	N-B3
11	B-K3	R-K1	12	B-B3	R-N1
13	Q-Q2	B-Q2	14	N-N3	P-QN3
15	P-N4	B-QB1	16	P-N5	N-Q2
17	Q-B2	B-B1	18	B-N2	B-N2
19	QR-Q1	P-N3	20	B-B1	QR-B1
21	R-Q3	N-N5	22	R-R3	B-N2
23	B-K3	R-K2	24	K-N1	R(1)-K1
25	R-Q1	P-B4	26	PxPep	NxKBP
27	R-N5	R-B2	28	BxNP	Q-N1
29	B-K3	N-R4	30	R-N4	N-KB3
31	R-R4	P-KN4	32	PxP	N-N5
33	Q-Q2	NxB	34	QxN	RxP
35	Q-N6	B-QR1	36	RxQP	R-K2
37	QxRP	RxR	38	RxKP	RxP
39	Q-B4	K-R1	40	P-K5	Q-R2ch
41	K-R1	BxBch	42	KxB	N-Q5 dis ch

White resigned

Schmidt denies knowledge of secret payments

Bonn – Herr Helmut Schmidt, the former Social Democratic Chancellor said yesterday that he knew nothing about secret payments which 10 leading West German firms apparently made to the secret services during the late 1970s. But a spokesman for the present Government confirmed that the payments had been made (Frank Johnson writes).

The payments were revealed on Friday during the trial of the politicians and industrialists accused over alleged payments to the Free Democratic Party by the Flick industrial concern in exchange for tax concessions. The revelation came from one of the defendents, a former Flick manager. The money was to be used in the secret service's struggle against terrorism.

Paris agrees on damages for Rainbow victim

Paris – The French Government and the family of Greenpeace photographer Fernando Pereira have reached agreemtnt on damages to be paid by the Government, according to Saturday's *Le Monde* (Susan MacDonald writes). Mr Pereira died on the Greenpeace vessel Rainbow Warrior when it was sunk by the French secret services in New Zealand on July 10.

Dutch lawyers acting on behalf of Mr Pereira's family and French lawyers acting on behalf of the French Government are understood to have come to an agreement forr an undisclosed amount of damages, according to a statement by French lawyers at the weekend. Mr Pereira, a Dutch national or Portuguese origin, leaves a widow and two children.

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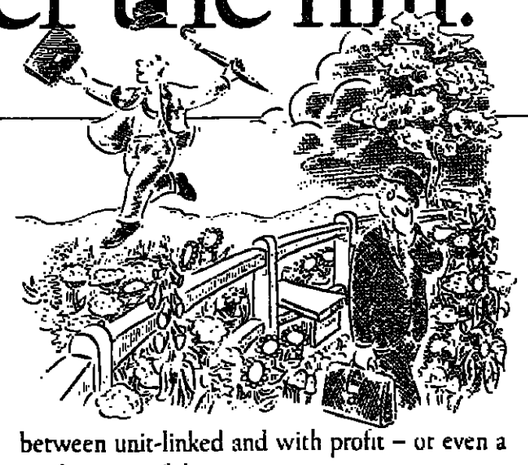
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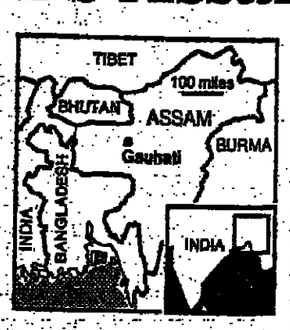
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Strains over rights of foreigners threaten Gandhi's Assam pact

As a result of a question The Times put during an interview with the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, foreign correspondents have again been allowed to visit the troubled north-eastern state of Assam. MICHAEL HAMLYN was the first British correspondent to take advantage of the new relaxation. This is his first report.



Strains are beginning to appear in the peace pact that the Government of Mr Rajiv Gandhi concluded with the young Assam agitators who led a six-year campaign against the foreigners from neighbouring Bangladesh, said to be threatening the culture and language of Assam.

The campaigning, which often turned violent, culminated in the frenzied spasm of inter-community killing and burning during the state elections of February, 1983, when more than 3,000 people were hacked or burned to death. Some impartial observers put the death toll as high as 7,000.

Mr Gandhi, in his first address to the Indian people after succeeding to office 12 months ago after his mother's assassination, promised action to settle both the Punjab and Assam agitations and concluded the Assam agreement on the country's Independence Day, August 15. But already the main clause of the agreement is proving contentious, and there are indications that Mr Gandhi's Government may have to change the law to mitigate its effects.

The agreement promised that all foreigners who came into the country before January 1, 1966, should have their position regularized – that is, they will be allowed full citizenship and voting rights. Those who came in after the proclamation of Bangladesh independence in March, 1971, will be subject to detection by a Draconian tribunal system and expelled. Those who came in between January 1, 1966, and March 24, 1971, will be subject to the detection apparatus, but will not be expelled. They will be struck off the voters lists and compelled to register as foreigners, but only for 10 years.

The strains now arise because these people will, if they are to be treated as thoroughgoing foreigners, be deprived of their rights to own land or property and be subject to restrictions on jobs and length of stay. Since, to some, most of them are Muslims, they will find it difficult to get passports to go on the Haji pilgrimage or return to their homes afterwards.

But these immigrants will be allowed to remain on the electoral rolls for the state elections which will take place on December 16. The law may, however, be changed for them to ensure their loyalty to the ruling party at least for the present. The change would reduce their disability to simple disenfranchisement during the 10-year period, but still allow them to own their homes and earn a living.

The agitators, who have now formed themselves into a political party, the Asom Gana Parishad (The Assam People's Council), to fight the forthcoming election, are not likely to take kindly to a change in the law. "If they have to register as foreigners, as the agreement says," said Mr Prafulla Mahanta, president-in-chief of the AGP, "then they must be treated exactly like all other foreigners. It is not part of the accord that the law on foreigners should be changed."

Mr Mahanta and his fellow agitation leaders are not particularly explicit about what they might do if the law is changed, but there is always a possibility that they could restart their agitation.

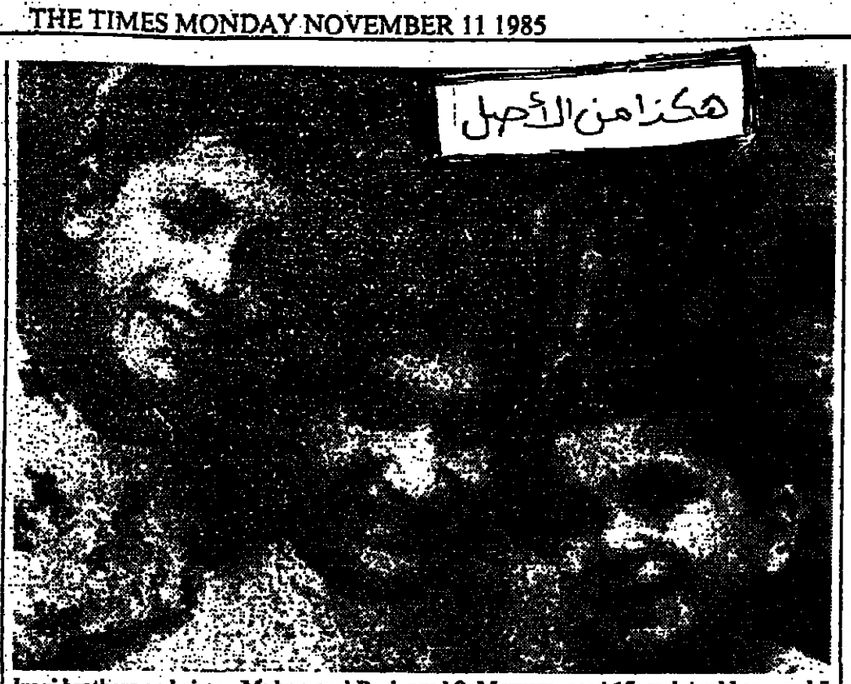
Other oddities in the pact are pointed out by the opposition parties in the State. Mr Sarat Chandra Sinha, a former Congress chief minister, now leader of the Congress (S) (for Socialist) Party, said, for example: "Either these foreigners are a threat to Assamese language and culture or they are not. If they are, it seems strange to allow them to vote in this election . . . one of them could even become Chief Minister. We don't understand how rights to own land or property can save the identity of the Assamese this way. If they can do harm, they will do it now and they will do it again in 10 years time. If they cannot do harm, then this is an immense and unnecessary harassment for them."

In any case, there is a feeling that the pact may have been unnecessary. The Congress Chief Minister, elected as a result of the 1983 poll, Mr Hiteswar Saikia, has moved in a wily and effective way to isolate the agitation.

Mr Saikia encouraged the Congress leadership to hold public meetings, a brave thing to do following the bloodshed of the electoral period. Although they were boycotted by the agitation, the boycotts grew progressively more and more feeble, until Congress meetings were able to be held away from their own strongholds and in the agitators' territory. Secondly Mr Saikia has been able to buy or bribe many of the second and third rank leaders of the agitation to join his ranks.

Thirdly, as a member of the Ahom tribe which predominates in Upper Assam and who ruled Assam for 600 years, though they are now classified as a backward class, he was able to wean them away from the agitation.

The AGP is now almost entirely made up of high-caste Assamese Hindus, who are from the middle and upper classes, and as such not well in tune with the aspirations of the rest of society.



Iraqi brothers and sister, Muhammed Bazi, aged 8, Maryam, aged 15, and Aschkar, aged 5, smiling after successful operations at a United States clinic to correct their congenital heart defects. Doctors said it was rare for three siblings to be born with the non-genetic condition.

Palermo showdown with the Mafia

From Peter Nichols
Rome

Final preparations are now beginning in Palermo to face the huge challenge of trying 475 alleged members of the Mafia in the city which is the historic stronghold of Italy's most resilient and powerful criminal organization.

On Friday the team of inquiring magistrates presented the 8,632 pages of their judicial report which forms the basis for sending for trial some of the most celebrated names in contemporary criminal history.

The principal accused have to face charges involving 90 murders and attempted murders, of conspiracy to commit Mafia-type crimes, and in participation in the international drug traffic.

Of the 475 accused, 207 are in prison while 55 are under house arrest. A total of 121 are fugitives and 112 are on provisional liberty awaiting trial. This makes a total of 495 and allowance must be made for 20 who have died since their names were entered among the accused, some of them suffering violent deaths.

The forthcoming trial will be unprecedented because much of the evidence was collected from the confessions of leading Mafia figures, led by Signor Tommaso Buscetta.

The trial is expected to begin in February and should last at least a year.

There are fears that the Mafia will not permit a trial which is so open a challenge to their authority to be conducted over so long a period without attempts at disrupting it.

The Philippines election

Communists play a waiting game

From Paul Routledge, Manila

The insurgent Communist Party of the Philippines is playing a waiting game while the official Opposition gears up to fight the snap presidential election called by President Marcos.

Since it is illegal, the Communist Party cannot field a candidate in the poll, officially set for January 17. But it will exert considerable influence, particularly in the areas where its military wing, the New People's Army, is strong.

Academic analysts, who enjoy close links with the Communist underground movement, argue that its mobilizing role could be critical in the forthcoming contest if the voting process is "relatively clean". This is not always so in Filipino elections.

President Marcos, who has already warned the Opposition "not to play political footsie with the CPP–NPA" will make his Government's continuing fight against the 16-year insurgency a main plank in the 10-week campaign.

For their part, most of the opposition hopefuls seeking the nomination of the National Unification Committee signed an agreement last December which pledges them to a "general and unconditional" amnesty for political detainees and offenders, and to the legalization of the Communist Party.

The Communist Party has not yet declared its hand and is not expected to do so until the constitutional confusion over the proposed election is cleared up.

A decision on how far the Communist Party is prepared to put its machine to the service of the Opposition will filter through its propaganda arm, the National Democratic Front, and the radical coalition group, Bayan, which has been organizing political strikes against the Marcos regime.

Former Senator Salvador Laurel, one of the few aspirants for the Presidency who refused to sign the "unity document" on Boxing Day last year, told a breakfast forum of policy-makers and politicians in Washington last week that the democratic front was "playing a very shrewd game" and wanted to see Mr Marcos retain power.

The Opposition has a rather ambivalent attitude to the Communists. On the one hand, it recognizes that they could deliver many votes in disaffected areas. On the other hand, it is aware that the party spurns legitimacy conditional on "giving up the armed struggle".

● **Business concern:** The Philippines is the most risky country in South-East Asia for doing business and, if President Marcos stays in office, a disruptive transfer of power or a communist takeover is possible within the next five years, a Hong Kong-based business intelligence group has reported (Keith Dalton writes).

Warsaw amnesty omits Solidarity

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

Poland has decided to free some of its 370 political prisoners in a limited amnesty. It will keep key dissidents and Solidarity advisers in jail.

A communique from the prosecutor general's office at the weekend said that the prosecutor is reviewing "on an individual basis" all cases of non-criminal prisoners, but perpetrators of particularly anti-social crimes would be excluded, as would those political offenders freed under amnesties in 1983 and 1984 and subsequently re-arrested.

That means, for example, that the dissident historian, Mr Adam Michnik, and the Solidarity organizer, Mr Wladyslaw Frasyniuk, jailed on charges of preparing public protests against price rises, will stay behind bars.

Mr Bogdan Lis, who was jailed with them, was never the subject of an amnesty – treason charges were dropped because of lack of evidence – but the rather vague "anti-social crimes" clause will probably be sufficient to keep him imprisoned.

The prosecutor will also be considering the cases of those being investigated but not in jail. That could include Mr Lech Walesa, the Solidarity chairman and Nobel Peace prize laureate accused of slandering the country's vote-counters by claiming that the government had exaggerated turnout in last month's parliamentary election.

Mr Walesa has filed a complaint accusing the Gdansk prosecutor of illegal behaviour in not giving his lawyer access to evidence against him. He has also complained of a police raid on Wednesday on his Gdansk flat saying that it was a severe shock for his wife, Danuta, who is pregnant with their eighth child.

The Government says that its clemency proceedings are a "humanitarian initiative" and an expression of the state's magnanimity, and hopes that "these people will observe the legal order in the future".

Dutch row over sex at age 12

From Robert Schuil
Amsterdam

The Christian Democrat and Liberal parliamentary groups in the Lower House in the Dutch Parliament are at loggerheads over a proposal by the coalition Cabinet to lower the age of consent from 16 to 12.

Under the Government's Bill which has yet to be tabled, it will no longer be an offence for adults to have sexual relations with children between the ages of 12 and 16 unless some form of coercion or enticement is involved.

According to the Liberals – and the Cabinet – the Government's proposal is in line "with reality". This view is shared by the Socialist opposition.

The Christian Democrats, however, oppose the Government's proposal on the ground that in practice it would be difficult to establish in such an age group the difference between consent and coercion or enticement.

Although the Government could muster a majority for its Bill with the support of the opposition, it seems more likely that a compromise will be reached between the Christian Democrats and the Liberals to lower the age of consent to 14.

Galtieri trial enters its final phase

From Douglas Tweedale
Buenos Aires

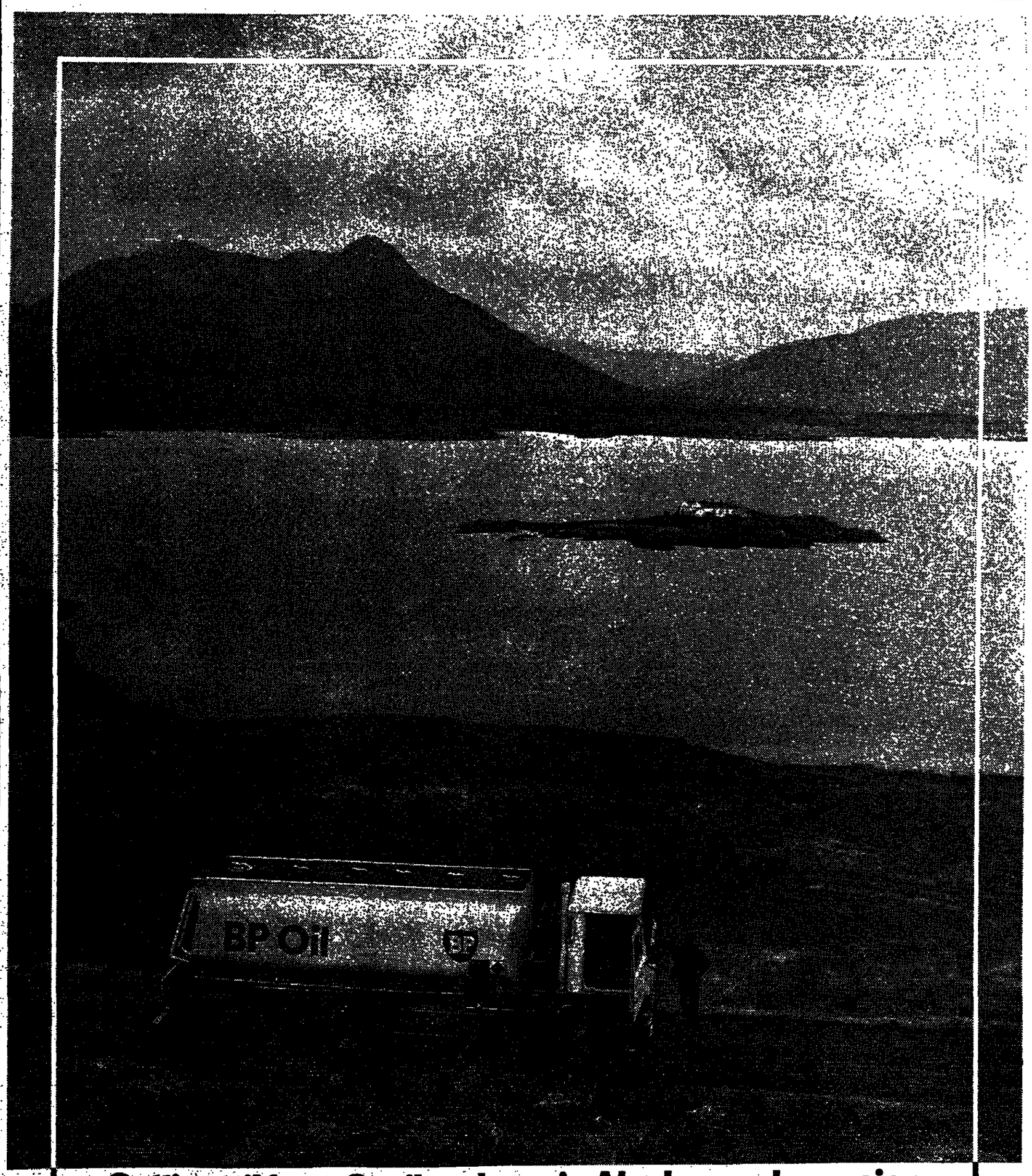
Ex-President Leopoldo Galtieri and 15 other military leaders are to be formally charged with responsibility for Argentina's 1982 defeat in the Falklands War as their two-year-old military trial enters its final phase today.

A military prosecutor will present the charges against General Galtieri and the others in secret hearings expected to last for 10 days. Their defence lawyers will make their final arguments to the Supreme Military Tribunal.

Argentine newspapers have reported that the prosecutor will accuse General Galtieri of criminal negligence in planning the April 2, 1982, invasion of the Falklands and the 14-week war that followed, and will demand that he be sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment.

The other two members of the military junta which launched the Falklands invasion, Admiral Jorge Anaya and Air Force Brigadier Basilio Lami Dozo, are, if committed, reported to be facing sentences of 12 and 10 years respectively.

Also on trial are captain Alfredo Astiz, the naval officer accused of surrendering South Georgia to British forces.



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THE ARTS

Caroline Moorehead talks to author **Mollie Panter-Downes** who wrote a war diary for *The New Yorker*

Letter to America ... from the blitz

When Virago got in touch with Mollie Panter-Downes, London correspondent for *The New Yorker*, last year and asked her whether they might reissue *One Fine Day*, her novel about the nostalgia and relief of post-war England, she took it down and read it again, for the first time in almost 40 years. She enjoyed it.

It was, she says, exactly like getting out an old diary or album and thinking: "Oh Lord, I've forgotten that. And did I really look like that? So shabby? She also unearthed the diaries she had kept during the weeks of writing: "Wrote the novel today. Went dreadfully badly", and, when it came out: "*Another* reviewer who hasn't got the point".

Publication today will, she hopes, bring a better understanding of what she was trying to do, not produce just a nice little domestic picture but a "hymn in praise of England still being there, a Te Deum at the wonder we won the war".

The New Yorker is legendary for the length of time it keeps its writers and the devotion, surely unequalled on any other paper, English or American, that they in turn bring to it. Mollie Panter-Downes, charming, knowledgeable, constantly apologising about herself, is all you expect of an alumnus. She joined the staff at the outbreak of war, having already written occasional Reporter at Large pieces for them in the 1930s. Eighty next year, she is with them still, even if in the last two years reporting has largely given way to writing book reviews (mostly of biographies, as she doesn't greatly care for fiction).

Her relationship with the magazine would never have taken shape at all, she maintains, had it not been for the fact that having scoured the Cotswolds for a farm on which to raise pigs – she particularly dislikes pigs – she and her husband found one just outside Haslemere, on the Surrey-Sussex border. It was only minutes from the Portsmouth railway line which was kept open for the duration of the war for the Navy.

This meant that not only could she get to London to work, but that having returned home to write her weekly column, it could "in the most extraordinary Heath Robinson sort of way, be transported by car or bicycle through the blackout to the guard on a London bound train, where it would be met by a Western Union messenger who cabled it to New York". That arrangement lasted nearly five years. Only once, when a bomb hit the line, did the system fail.

Even so, she says, the work had come her way by luck. Janet Flanner, the Paris correspondent who also covered London, got trapped by the war in California, and was unable to return to Europe. Harold Ross, the editor, took a pin, or so E. J. Liebling once told her, and came down on the name of Mollie Panter-Downes. He cabled Haslemere, offering her the post. She cabled back, saying that she had too many evacuees about to descend on her. Her husband, who happened at that moment to appear on leave, told her that she was mad.

In any case, the evacuees had never materialized. She cabled again, thereby starting a routine of weekly Letters from London, 1,500 words gathered from a room in the Landsdowne Club in the middle of the week, and written up at home, while a nanny minded her two small daughters.

When the war ended, she needed, she says, quoting Virginia Woolf, to "turn the pillow". While continuing with her weekly visits to London, she wrote *One Fine Day*, ("refreshing after the hassle of the war"). She wanted to record precisely what she saw around her, as people painfully readjusted themselves to peace.

She and her husband Clare Robinson still live in their timbered and brick 16th-century house in a peaceful wild valley outside Haslemere.

"I've had an uneventful life: one home, one job, one husband. I am fortunate beyond belief. But does it sound dreadfully dull? To have had such a *very* good life."

Bill Warhurst



Diarist Mollie Panter-Downes: 'My novel is a hymn in praise of England winning the war'

Television
Poetry in motion

The South Bank Show (LWT) on Stephen Spender went some way to correcting the image he holds in people's minds. "I'm always referred to very ironically by Auberon Waugh as 'the war hero – Stephen Spender' ", he lamented, pointing out that contrary to medical advice he had signed up for the fire brigade.

Famous for his friends, Spender's most famous line – some would say his only one – remains "I think continually of those who are truly great". Yet as he moaned out a judicious selection of his poems one was reminded how good a poet he could be.

Chris Hunt's documentary fanfared its intention of returning Spender to the places which had made him the conscience of his generation: Hyde Park, for instance, where he had walked with Isherwood (LWT must still be reeling from that little jaunt), three identical rooms in London (including the offices of Index and the Communist Party in 1936) and Oxford where, as a four-poems-a-day man, he had met Auden.

Auden, he said, had made a great impression because he had weak eyes and therefore sat in the shadows with his back to the light. Lit in exactly the same way, Spender explained how they had hated the idea of poetry having anything to do with politics.

The fight against Fascism took him – but not LWT – to Spain. The programme's most effective sequence was his reading of a poem about a dead boy – "a better target for a kiss" than bullets.

Nothing much had happened to Spender after that, so he talked about his writing, the need for hero-worship, his humility. "I can't really convince myself my poetry gives pleasure to anyone", he read out from journals which will probably be his most enduring work. One line is given, he said, paraphrasing Valery on poetic inspiration. The rest must follow. There was a sense last night as he richly moaned his poem on Auden's funeral, that for him, the survivor, the rest had not followed.

Star Quality (BBC1), the first of a Noel Coward series, was about the ham performances given by actors and directors off-stage to achieve what they want on-stage.

It was another lavish, enjoyable production from veteran *Alan Shallcross*, with strong performances from Ian Richardson, David Yelland and Susannah York (with a smile like a man-trap). Getting actors to play themselves so theatrically was probably not the simple task it seemed.

Nicholas Shakespeare

Opera
Outrageously mild mannered

Così fan tutte
New, Cardiff

Lucian Pintilie's work at Cardiff has encouraged one to suppose that the word "Romanian", coming anywhere near opera production, has to be a synonym for "outrageous".

So there was something of a reversed shock on Saturday evening when Pintilie's colleague, Liviu Ciulei served up a staging of *Così fan tutte* so mild-mannered and straightforward – and this despite the fact that he was working with Pintilie's regular design team of Radu and Miruna Boruzescu.

Just about the only eccentricity is the use of a magic lantern to flash up assorted 18th century engravings of representatives of the "nuts" in various states of undress, notably in the opening scene. And the production is embarrassed even by this.

Elsewhere, except for Despina's clowning and a moment when the ladies throw themselves about in apt hysteria to match their vivid but conventionalized distress, the production tends towards stillness. Lit by Beverley Emmons in a mostly dusky manner, it is an evening *Così*, an extended nocturne.



Elaine Woods as Fiordiligi and Delia Wallis as Dorabella

Unfortunately this leads one to expect a supreme muted exquisiteness in the musical performance, which is not quite what György Fischer has in mind. His rhythms are thrusting and his tone emphatic, to the extent of putting a wall in front of the singers for much of the time.

The orchestra does not sound very happy: the horns, who ought to be conveying the essence of the serenading, have a rough time, and generally the performance is plain and inelegant.

Vocally it is more promising. Apart from Thomas Hemsley as a veteran, crusty-sounding Don Alfonso and Delia Wallis as Dorabella, this is a young cast who look right for their roles (after all, the sisters are supposed to be only 15, even if that was a more advanced age in 1790 than it is now), and who sounds appropriately fresh, though often there is a want of the flexibility and finesse that would convert a string of good notes into a long lyrical phrase.

Laurence Dale's "Un'aura amorosa", for instance, would have been still more sweetly persuasive for being breathed in longer lines, and Elaine Woods would have made a grander and, at the same time, more vulnerable impression as Fiordiligi if her admirable, sometimes startling attack and certainty had carried her through larger patches.

It may be, though, that the central quartet would all have been helped by more sympathetic conducting and by a production which brought out more character in the roles.

The two characters who do come across with some vigour do so, as it seems because of the singers' qualities of liveliness and good humour. Mark Holland adds more weight to his rapidly achieved reputation as a Guglielmo who is at once lusty and suave, and Andrea Bolton contributes a Despina who is more the engaged slattern than the witty soubrette.

She comes on scratching her bottom and slurping the chocolate straight from the jug, and appears bemused by the charades though happy to play her parts with gusto – perhaps a shade too much gusto when she is the notary, for even deliberately banal Mozart deserves better than croaking.

Paul Griffiths

Gripping stuff

Don Giovanni
Civic Theatre, Darlington

In both the frequency and the nature of its recent productions, *Don Giovanni* is very much the Mozart opera which this decade has taken to its heart.

Steven Pimlott's new production for Opera 80 suggests one pretty clear and ruthless reason why. His Don rules a world whose black-lacquered dinner-parties present only a thin veneer for verbal, emotional and physical violence which is ubiquitous and unmitigated.

Don Giovanni (Tim Yealland), as aggressively disenchanted youth sits, cross-legged, unmoved and unmoving, until the appearance of Elvira, flicks ash while remarking on her suffering and speaks of love through gritted teeth. He is cynical enough to set the final supper table only for himself.

Leporello may think he and his master are alone, but they rarely are. Almost everyone is always on stage, distancing, supporting (if female), hiding or cowering, and always most artfully brought into and out of focus by Pimlott's placing and David Cunningham's highly effective lighting.

In Tom Cairns's unchanging black space, scenes speed into each other, accelerated by the use of Mozart's marginally shorter original version, and by the efficient, at times, crude, cut and thrust of David Parry's translation and musical direction.

Not the least alarming aspect of this thought-provoking, cliché-cleansed production is its Masetto. He, too, is consumed by latent and lingering hatred: as he is left fingering a knife blade, Zerlina (Nicola Sharkey) seems to have little to choose between life with him or the Don. What is more, following Mozart's practise in Prague and Vienna, he doubles the role of the Commendatore: Phillip Guy-Bromley's metamorphosis in this wasteland of crazed bodies is chilling indeed.

The inevitable flaw of a production which, characteristically, starts to point the way to its audience during the overture, is its total lack of ambiguity and near-didactic insistence on its own idea. But conviction, in this case, makes for irresistible gripping theatre, and with vigorously projected performances from Vivian Tierney (Donna Anna) and Philippa Dames-Longsworth (Donna Elvira) adding to a strong acting cast, Opera 80 have another road-worthy show.

Hilary Finch

Concerts

Philharmonia/ Salonen
Festival Hall

It might not be easy to understand the connections Olivier Messiaen makes between the wild, ecstatic sounds of his *Turangalila-symphonie*, the Tristan and Isolde myth, and Sanskrit philosophy.

Nor are his musical methods – especially his complex web of overlapping rhythmic modes – comfortably analysed by the unaided ear.

But that is incidental to the work's voluptuous and unforgettable impact in the concert hall. The music may often be lurid and over-sweet, but it is like nothing else.

Not only is it very complicated and difficult to perform, but much of it is (or should be) very fast. Even, here, under the admirably clear and confident leadership of Esa-Pekka Salonen, and with the Philharmonia straining with alertness, there were some scrambles and compromises.

But there was also much that was very good. The pianist Paul Crossley played with complete stylistic and technical assurance, moving easily through his part's transitions from explosive cadenzas to quasi-gamelan background sounds.

Much of the brass playing was first-rate, too, since Messiaen requires these players to traverse some awkward leaps.

Tristan Murail gave an idiomatic account of the ondes part, though at times this strange instrument seemed too dominant in the texture. Most of *all, though, this was a triumph* for Salonen; another sign of this young Finn's outstanding talent.

Richard Morrison

Pegasus
St Bride's, Fleet Street

Any concert which can boast not only a first London performance of a piece by one of the most talented young British composers but also a British premiere of something by, of all people, Brahms, must score a point or two for enterprise.

All the same this was an evening strictly for the faithful, for nothing in it would have worked very well in a concert hall.

Stephen Oliver's *O fons amoris* was written last year to be sung by Norwich Cathedral Choir within the context of a Mass setting also by this composer. Even plucked from its natural surroundings, however, it is effective, meditative music, in which Oliver's fluency and *natural feeling* for line is applied to his richly expressive, original language.

It is also tricky to perform, if one is to judge from the slightly hesitant and occasionally ill-tuned reading given by the adventurous choir Pegasus under their director, Richard Crossland.

They fared rather better in the Brahms, a setting of the four shortest movements of the Mass Ordinary composed in 1856-7. Brahms apparently destroyed his manuscript, but not before his friend, Julius Otto Grimm, had copied it. The music was published only last year, six years after its rediscovery.

As in the Oliver, atmosphere rather than weighty musical argument prevails, although Brahms's technique is utterly confident and there are touches *of real poetic imagination* as well as a sure grasp of idiom.

Ian Curror supplied a discreet organ obbligato throughout, even though only the Kyrie specifies it. He was called upon to provide much of the drama as well as the continuity in Kodaly's *Laudes organi* of 1966 and Liszt's *Via Crucis* (1878), and he did so expertly.

Stephen Pettitt

Dance
A thing of beauty

Royal Ballet
Covent Garden

It seems to me surprising that in almost 40 years and 625 performances, the Royal Ballet has presented only four foreign guests at Covent Garden as Aurora in *The Sleeping Beauty*, of whom three were French – Yvette Chauviré, Violette Verdy and now Elisabeth Platel – who danced in this production for the first time on Friday night.

Platel makes most of our British dancers look soft-centred. With no lack of feminine qualities, she gives her dancing *a sharp accuracy that lets the* choreography be seen clearly and precisely. Just once or twice the arm and hand positions of her opening solo remind me that she first took the role in Rosella Hightower's rather fancy Paris production, but thereafter her performace was a model of classic style.

Her line is long and generous, her phrasing beautifully considered. She even managed to respond well to Mark Ermler's sometimes unhelpful tempi. Platel uses her technique not to *dazzle but to illuminate the* role.

Her awakening prince was Jonathan Cope, playing Florimund for the first time. A slight initial stiffness in his acting can be forgiven and anyway is not altogether out of place. His partnering will grow in confidence but is already strong, considerate and – how pleasant to see this – eager, obviously happy to be dancing with her.

The company showed its strongest form to welcome Platel. Especially notable was a crisp young Florestan trio (Bruce Sansom, Maria Almeida and Sara Gallie), the amusingly stylized Red Riding Hood duet of *Fiona Brockway and Jonathan* Burrows, and Fiona Chadwick's gentle Princess Florine in the Bluebird duet.

Chadwick, one of the best exponents of the soft English style, showed herself well suited to the lead in *La Bayadère* earlier last week. Her partner, also new to the role, was Jay Jolley: stylish and smooth, but with a depleted version of the solos.

John Percival

Theatre
Striking a nerve

Minstrel Boys
The Lyric, Belfast

Martin Lynch's new play, the only new work being given in the current Belfast Theatre Festival, is set in the awful year of 1981 when Bobby Sands and company were starving themselves to death for no intelligible reason and to little effect beyond publicity for the cause.

Republican sentiment, already divided since 1969 between the hardline provisionals and the more respectable officials, drifted yet further apart.

Two neighbouring families in West Belfast personify this schism: the Moores (Mark Mulholland and Barbara Adair) vote for moderate rebellion, the Marcellas (Louis Rolston and Stella McCusker) believe in *carrying things* through to their logical, ghastly conclusion.

The Moores' son, a promising footballer with prospects "across the water" at Leeds United, is shot dead by a British soldier, the Marcellas' son, a first wave internee, is selected as the next hunger striker in Long Kesh.

This sounds rather grim, and so it should, but Mr Lynch's gallows humour makes the piece bristle with a tension seldom seen on the mainland stage.

This must be due at least in part to the richness of the available theme and to the audience's expectations thereof, but apart from the occasional lapse when he has his working folk express themselves in the terms of political journalists, the author demonstrates a sure instinct for characterization allied to an insider's knowledge of how human beings behave in an intolerable situation.

As a sort of chorus to the main events, a gang of jovial young petrol bombers, led by Aidan McCann, scramble on and off in their hi-jacked dumper truck and swarm up the foothills of the backdrop's painted mountain, swigging cider by the neck and singing the soul hits of the 1960s.

The director Patrick Sandford has every reason to be proud of his company.

Martin Cropper

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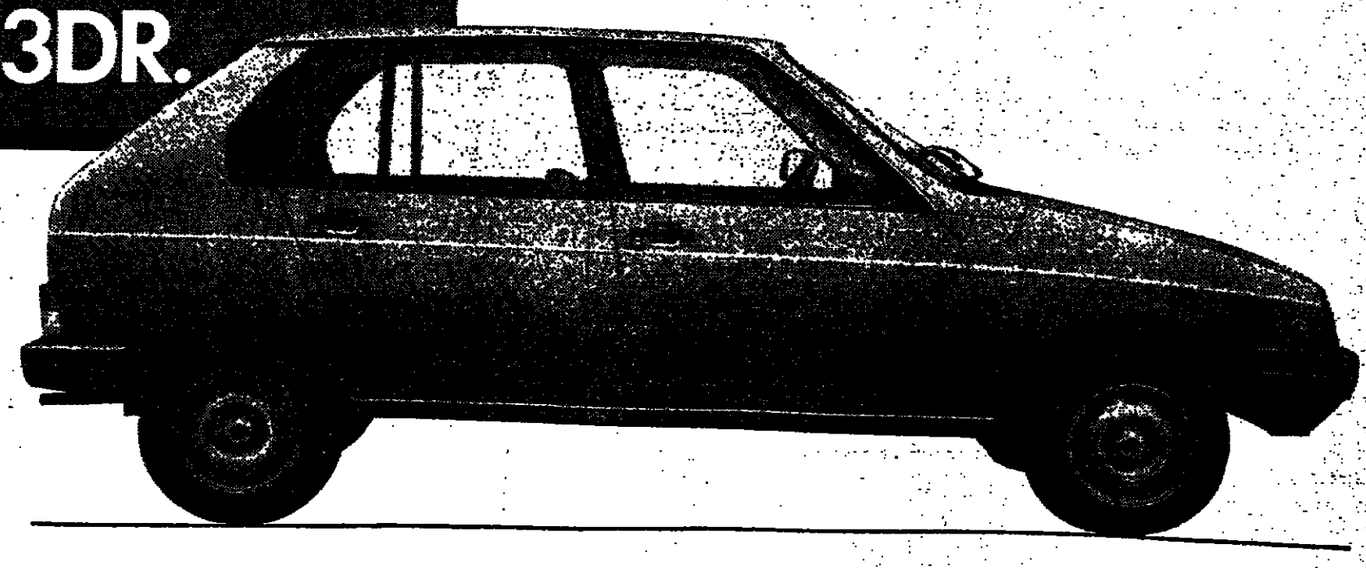


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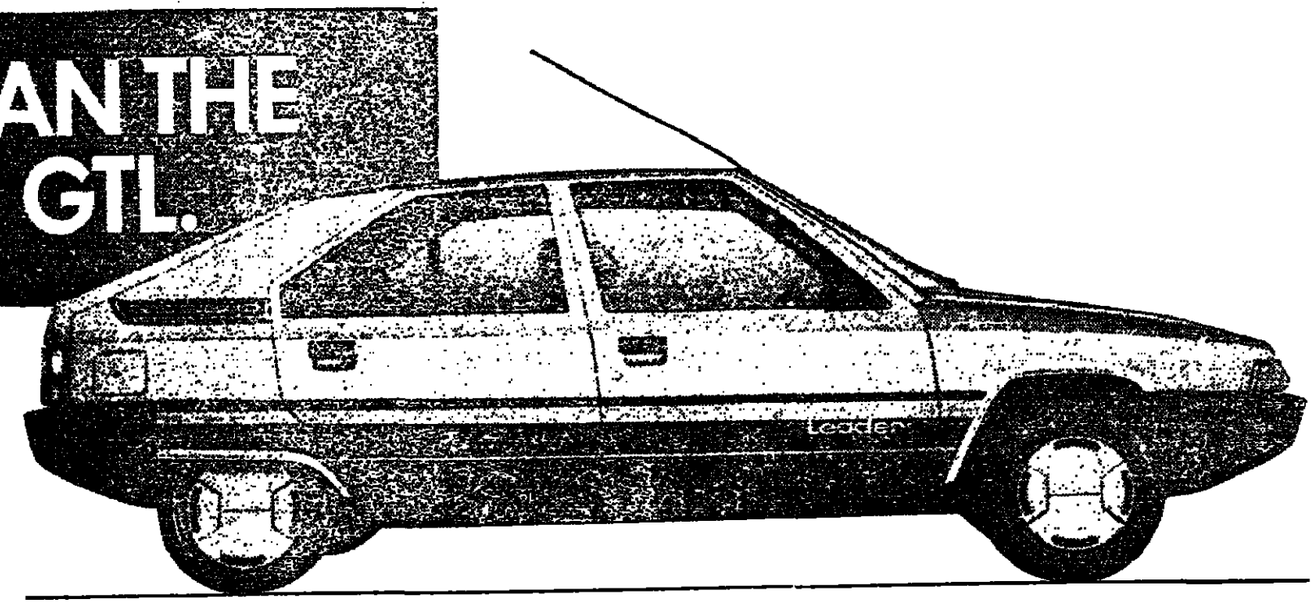
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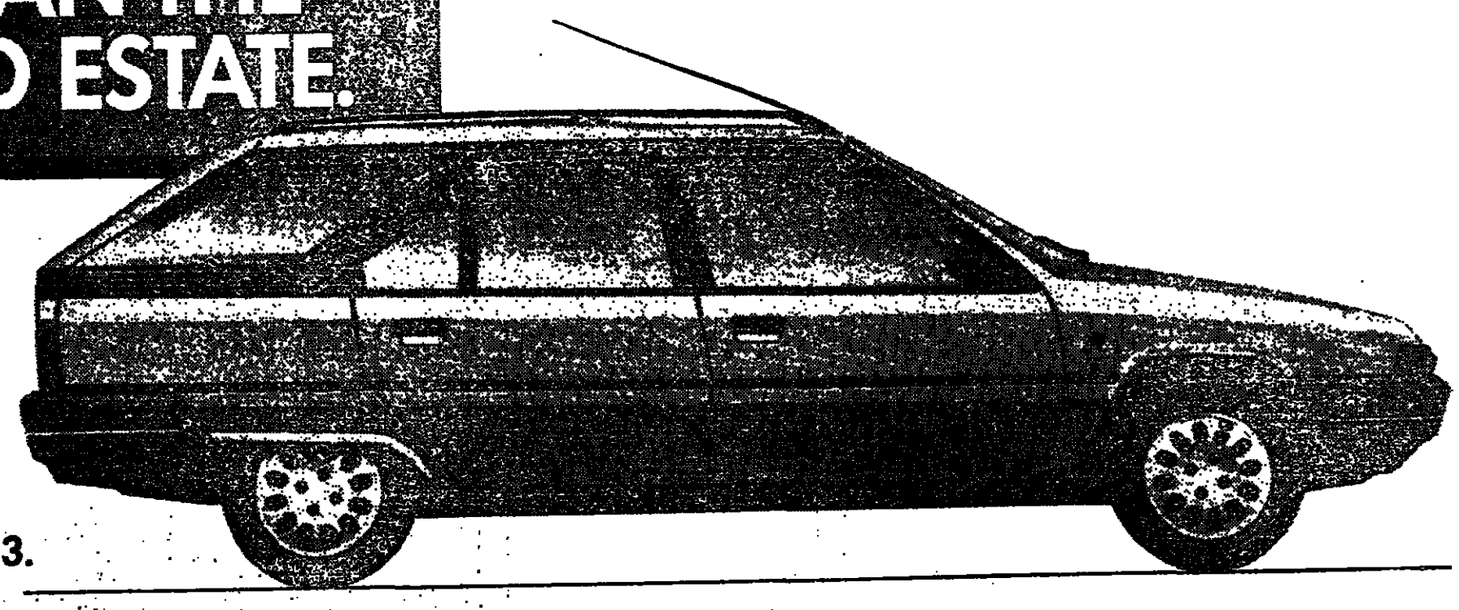
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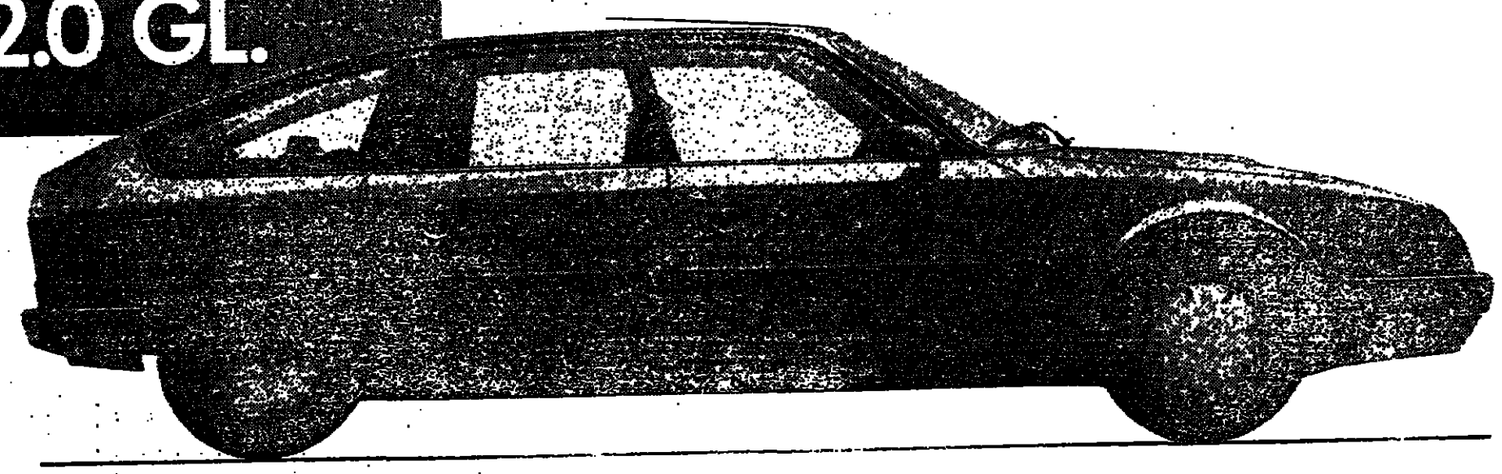
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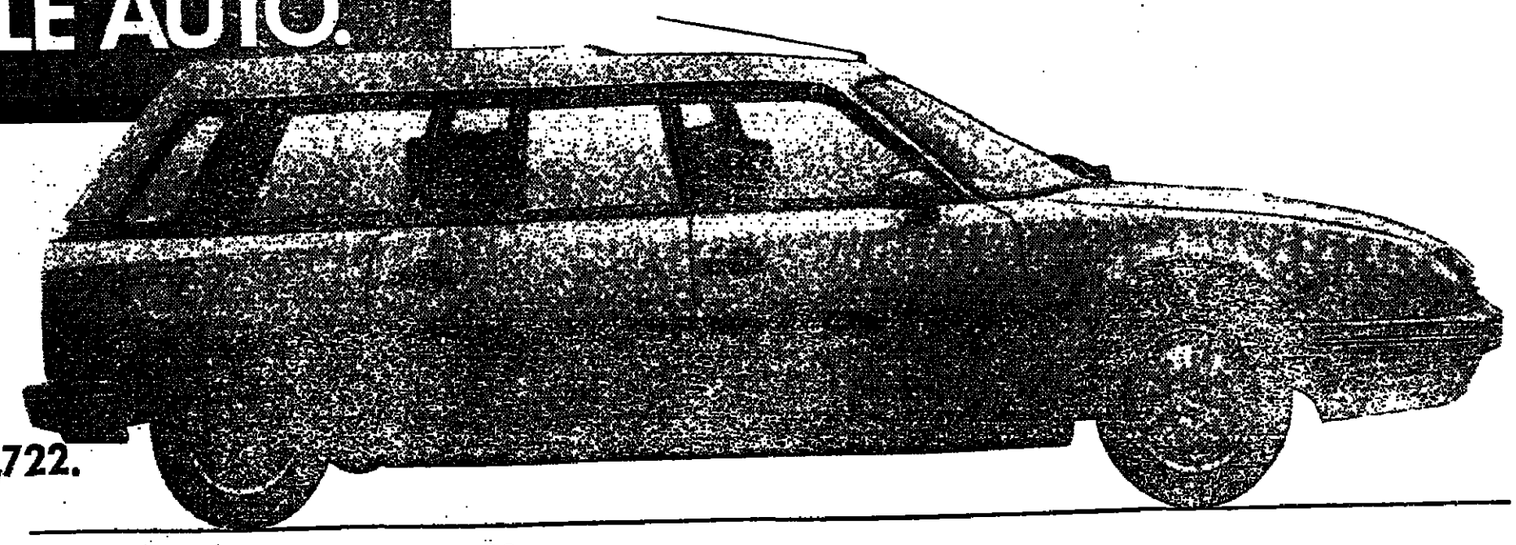
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Will shoppers start a counter attack?

Sunday trading may revolutionize our local high streets, force small retailers to close and cause traffic jams on a traditionally quiet day. But as Lee Rodwell reports, no one is quite sure what will happen

After the scrum of Saturday's shopping crowds, Sunday brings relative peace to the High Road in London's Finchley. Yesterday morning there were few people about but some shops were trading. The newsagents, of course, but also two DIY stores, a chemist, a greengrocer, a 7-to-11 store selling food and other items and a video shop. Not far away a garden centre also opened its doors.

By this time next year, if the Government gets its way, the Bill to remove restrictions on shop hours will be law and all Sunday trading will be legal. So will this kind of high street shopping area be packed with Sunday shoppers, browsing in department stores and boutiques, filling up their trolleys in the supermarkets, spending their money in Boots, W. H. Smith, Currys, Marks and Spencer? Will car dealers be selling cars, travel agents holidays and furniture showrooms three piece suites? What difference will Sunday trading make?

It seems unlikely that the smaller, local shopping centres will offer any more opportunities for the would-be Sunday shopper then they do already. But the out-of-town, purpose-built centres with their DIY superstores, hypermarkets and home and garden centres are almost certainly going to embrace Sunday trading wholeheartedly.

Tom McNally, director general of the Retail Consortium, says: "Initially a lot of people will be testing the water to see where there is demand, and then responding. I don't think anyone can say what retail pattern will emerge. People may cling more stubbornly to established shopping patterns. Retailers will, after all, be competing with other well-established Sunday activities – Sundays are when people spend more time in bed or take the family out on trips."

Sir Terence Conran, chairman of Habitat/Mothercare, is one of the shopping-can-be-fun school. Terry Goddard, group secretary of Habitat-/Mothercare, explained why this approach was so important: "Retailers are competing with the leisure industry for business. There has been a decline in consumer spending on retail goods, but a climb in expenditure on leisure goods."

John Dawson, Professor of Distributive Studies at Stirling University, says: "If we look at places where Sunday trading is permitted – North America or Sweden – we see that people view Sunday shopping as something enjoyable, not as a chore. But whether that happens here or not depends on whether the right kind of shops open, and whether they provide an environment which is fun."

It has already been shown that there is a demand for stores which cater for the growing band of DIY enthusiasts and gardeners. Tom McNally says: "All the research shows that people like to make major purchases of household durables when both husband and wife are present." Furniture, carpets, furnishings and electrical goods must all come into this category. But what about other major items like holidays, cars, food?

Clive Adkin, director of retail operations for Thomas Cook, says: "If we are surrounded by Sunday traders, we will trade. Of course, much depends on whether the tour operators will open their computer systems to us on a Sunday. We can't offer a decent service if we have no technical back-up."

Brian Back, director and company secretary of Mann Egerton, says: "We have occasionally opened some of our locations for viewing cars, but with a change in the law we will have to think again. The biggest advantage may well be for our petrol forecourt shops, where we would be able to sell the full range of goods on a Sunday."

Like the travel agents and the car dealers, the supermarkets may also adopt an overal wait-and-see policy. If Sunday shopping is really about having fun, then it is worth remembering that a National Consumer Council survey found that supermarket shopping was the most disliked. On the other hand, 30 per cent of food shopping is now normally done late at night or on Sunday.

Since more married women work – 57 per cent in 1981 compared with 24 per cent in 1951 – it may be that some of them would find it easier to shop for food on a Sunday, given the opportunity. Balanced against this is the argument that people tend to shop for food with the weekend in mind and top up, if necessary, during the week. Some argue that more late-night shopping, rather than Sunday shopping, will be the pattern here.

As for the knock-on effect, Professor Dawson says: "It will certainly mean changes in employment. Whether this means an increase in the rostering of retail staff or the employment of more part-time workers will vary from employer to employer. Then there is the support side: the cleaning that will have to be done on Saturday night, the maintenance, and the security – both in terms of store detectives and collection of cash."

Supermarkets which open on Sunday may have to arrange deliveries of fresh food and other goods. It may not matter too much if shelves seem rather bare on a Monday, since this is a relatively slack day, but if Sunday supermarket shopping is to be worthwhile then the customer will expect Saturday standards.

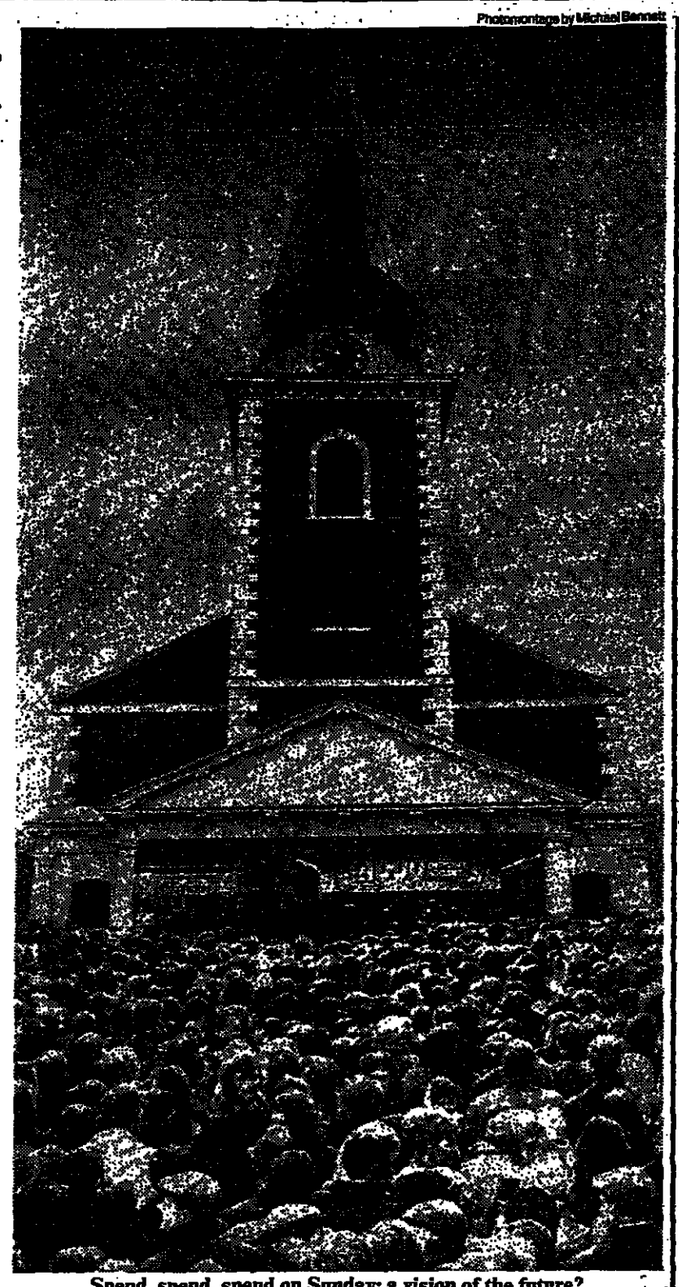
More people would be tempted to drive to the shops, particularly where car parking was provided or where restrictions did not apply on a Sunday. As a result there might be more noise and nuisance, traffic restrictions might have to be extended, traffic wardens employed.

On the face of it, Sunday shopping appears to offer the consumer more flexibility and more choice but in the beginning there may simply be confusion. Since each area will vary, the consumer will not know with any certainty which shops will be open where. Just because Habitat is open in Brighton, for example, does not mean it will be open in Watford. One store may open for mornings only, another for afternoons, a third from 10am to 5pm.

In addition, shops that open on Sunday may decide not to open at slacker times during the week, or may begin trading at 10am instead of 9am, or close all day Monday. If, as some predict, Sunday eventually becomes as busy as Saturday, those consumers who can now shop at quieter times may find this option closed.

The casualties in the high street are most likely to be the smaller independent businesses – the ironmonger, the general purpose store, the gents outfitters, perhaps even the shoe shops and local clothes shops. This would give the consumer less choice, not more.

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Spend, spend, spend on Sunday: a vision of the future?

Yet it has to be said that the decline in the traditional high street is already under way. Superstores (outlets with more than 20,000 sq ft) are springing up everywhere. There were 25 in 1971, 327 by the beginning of 1981. In 1980 15 per cent of all retail sales were made in superstores. Our shopping patterns are already changing and they will continue to do so.

The signs are that Sunday trading will not produce dramatic results immediately. Even those retailers who are most committed to the idea are likely to proceed with a certain amout of caution.

In many respects next summer will be a testing time, with Sunday trading getting into its stride before the run-up to Christmas, followed by the January sales. As Professor Dawson says: "When we reach February 1987, that will be the time to sit back and see what Sunday trading really means."

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THE UNITED STATES

Sunday is called "big-ticket" or "big-decision" day in Macy's of Manhattan, the world's largest department store. The doors open at 10am and let in a stream of couples who are making joint decisions about large purchases.

"That's why we have a special name for Sundays" said a Macy's spokesman. "It is when people shop as a couple, or as a family, when they do the big spending after joint consultation. Often the wife has done the initial research in the week and narrowed down the choices. She brings her husband and family along on Sunday to make the final big decision.

"We look forward to our Sunday shoppers."

When the store closes at 6pm contented-looking crowds spill out into Herald Square clutching large bags full of "big decision" purchases and make for the hamburger bars and restaurants, the great majority of which are open on Sundays.

In Bloomingdales, Manhattan's supersmart store, Sunday shoppers seem to have more time to browse and are less pushy than during the week. Bloomingdales, too, say that Sunday is a good business day.

There is a sense of security in knowing that the supermarket round the corner is open; that the joint can be bought in the morning.

Supermarkets say that Sunday is becoming one of their most important and busiest days. Staff, who are unionized, are generally paid double time.

I chose most of the furniture and equipment for our Manhattan flat on Sundays. There was a friendlier, less hurried atmosphere in the stores. "Sunday is a fun-day", explained one New Yorker. "It is the day when shopping is not a chore, but a nice experience. People seem to be more pleasant in the shops, not so hassled."

Sunday is regarded as anything but the day of rest by many American families. Sunday opening has revolutionized their shopping habits. Many people shop after attending church, and favour the huge suburban shopping malls where there are restaurants, cinemas, flowers and fountains.

Sunday opening hours in the US are controlled by the "blue laws" legislation which originated in Virginia in 1624 and which was designed to regulate personal conduct. The Virginia law made church attendance compulsory in the state. Today, the laws banning commerce on Sunday are enforced or repealed by state and county legislature. They vary widely and are often loosely enforced. New York State's blue laws, which were made in 1695, were repealed in 1976. The judge called them "a hotch-potch". Shops were allowed to open on Sundays, and seized the opportunity with enthusiasm.

But not the off-licences. The blue laws prohibiting their opening on Sundays are strictly enforced, though you can get a drink in a restaurant or bar. Beer, however, is available in supermarkets.

Penny Symon

NORTH OF THE BORDER

The busiest day of the week is Sunday at Cameron Toll, which lies two miles south of Edinburgh and is the reigning "European shopping centre of the year". The £33 million complex of brown-gold glass with parking for 1,000 cars does more business in seven hours on a Sunday than any 12-hour weekday.

The first large-scale Sunday shopping in Britain started as soon as the centre opened 13 months ago, taking advantage of lenient Scottish laws. Cameron Toll is funded by the Civil Aviation Authority superannuation scheme and the 38 shopping units, together with hypermarket and supermarket, were all filled ahead of the opening. A measure of its success is the £50,000 premium paid by one new leaseholder for one of the scheme's smaller units.

Many traders believe that the impetus of Sunday shopping has been an important part of the success at the centre, which has the first bank and building society in Britain to offer a Sunday service.

The complex covers 20 acres and offers every kind of shopping service. Mr James Lindsay, its assistant manager, said that the concept offered cost savings of a hypermarket coupled with those of having shops in competition close by. Initially only a few shops opened on a Sunday but the success has been such that virtually every other unit has followed suit.

One of the few exceptions are the hairdressers who, being Scottish, are specifically excluded from working on a Sunday under the 1950 Shops Act. Only Jewish barbers are allowed to cut and curl hair on the sabbath and only then if they agree to shut shop on Saturdays. Unless the logic of this law can be explained to at least one hairdresser working in Cameron Toll, the first defiant pair of scissors may start snipping soon.

Centre manager Mr Denis Atherton said the profit margin of traders was hard to determine but the centre was clearly a success and some of that must be due to Sunday opening.

"We operate 80 hours a week, considerably more than the average high street shop which has to pay the same overheads. We are two miles from the centre of Edinburgh and I do not believe we have had a damaging impact on the local trade.

High street shops, he said, were in a more difficult position because they had to negotiate Sunday opening with their staff from scratch and their sales patterns were different from Cameron Toll. "It was when Savacentre and Safeways opened on a Sunday with such phenomenal success that everyone else followed."

The building society and bank report a good demand for their Sunday services. As one shopkeeper observed it allowed the entrepreneurs of Cameron Toll an extra day's interest which, of course, is good Scottish business practice.

Ronald Faux

Rocking the world back to rights

Rock musicians are rushing into charitable and political action, writes David Sinclair

Not content with just feeding the world, a galaxy of rock stars are now intent on changing it with the release in Britain today of a new single, "Sun City", by Artists United Against Apartheid.

If it was a long time between George Harrison "seeing my friend's (Ravi Shankar's) people starving" – the inspiration for the famous Concert for Bangladesh in 1971 – and Bob Geldof's dream of "full stomachs", then rock has made amends; it has discovered its conscience with a vengeance. Since Band Aid there has been a record for victims of the Bradford fire, Farm Aid on behalf of farmers in the American MidWest and even AIDS Aid.

"Sun City" is the dream-come-true of Little Steven, former guitarist in Bruce Springsteen's E Street Band (when he was known as Miami Steve Van Zandt).

The Sun City in question is the vast leisure resort in Bophuthatswana, one of South Africa's tribal homelands, where many entertainers have performed in the past. The anti-apartheid protest song, written by Little Steven, features Bruce Springsteen, Bob Dylan, Lou Reed, Miles Davis, Melle Mel, Ringo Starr, Peter Gabriel, Pete Townshend, Bobby Womack and about 40 others including Bob Geldof. The result, a tangle of voices woven around the chant "I ain't gonna play Sun City", is slowly climbing the American charts. An album of improvizations based on the song is scheduled for release next Monday, video and book to follow, with all artist royalties going to the Africa Fund, a non-profit, tax-exempt organization based in New York.

Little Steven's emotional attention was drawn to the South African issue by Peter Gabriel's 1980 song "Biko". The royalties of "Biko" were donated to the Black Consciousness Movement, and Gabriel had his worries about where the money from "Sun City" will go. The Africa Fund is officially intended to benefit political prisoners, South African exiles, and anti-apartheid groups in the US. "Some of it will end up with the African National Congress", says Gabriel. "I don't support violence, but I would like to see very severe sanctions."

Little Steven says: "The black community has put up with countless years of being trodden down by a repressive regime. All we can do is ensure a total blockade on South Africa and then let things develop as they will. It's not for us to tell the blacks their business."

For Gabriel, the most important thing is to draw American opinion in particular to the situation in South Africa. He accepts that unlike Live Aid's strictly humanitarian intentions, "Sun City" has a political aim. Indeed Elton John and Queen, two contributors to Live Aid, are currently on the UN register of artists who have performed in South Africa. Pete Townsend feels the record is aimed in part at getting those and other artists to change their minds about sanctions.

A volte face from the days of uncaring hedonism

More Ethopian benefits are being prepared. Next weekend Madness, Depeche Mode, UB40, Spandau Ballet and others are leading a nationwide fast against world hunger to raise funds for Oxfam's "Hungry For Change" campaign.

It could be argued that this new mood of responsibility represents something of a *volte face* from the days when, however emphatically idealistic peace and love were expressed in the music, the reality of rock was an uncaring hedonism.

In the 1970s even the idealism evaporated as the dictates of business became more pronounced. George Harrison's benefit concerts for Bangladesh were the only significant attempt to organize practical charitable action. The inefficiency which marked the distribution of the money raised tended to confirm the growing excesses of punk. But perhaps punk had a beneficial effect. Bob Geldof, after all, was a product of that generation; his first hit record was called "Lookin' After No.1".

What became of rock as an instrument of teenage rebellion?

Pete Townshend now reckons to spend about a third of his time working for charitable causes. Profits from his two all-star concerts at Brixton Academy earlier this month were given to his Double O organization, which helps the victims of heroin addiction.

Townshend takes the view that the current mood in rock is not prompted by an onset of "conscience" but by the realization of the power invested in musicians as revealed by Live Aid. "People have realized that the early idealism, the idea that the spiritual uplift of music itself would effect change in society, was very naive. The only way you effect change is by seizing the opportunity to influence people who control what happens in the world."



Little Steven: protest song

Townshend points out that he was against drugs, even in the 1960s before his own heroin problem developed, but felt powerless to take a stand because no one would have believed he was sincere. "But I don't take a moral stance".

One explanation of the new-found commitment to practical works of benefit, so far unmentioned, may be rock's acceptance in the 1980s as part of mainstream showbusiness, which is traditionally associated with works of charity. It seems likely that as the industry grows in maturity musicians will continue to flex their considerable collective muscle in support of favoured causes.

It may be tempting to wonder, however, as Pete Townshend acts in harmony with the Government's anti-heroin campaign, Little Steven echoes the policies of the GLC and the Labour Party, and Bob Geldof is to be found addressing the European Parliament, what became of rock's original function as an anti-establishment instrument of teenage rebellion.

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TALKBACK

From Muriel Hinkley, Oakfield Road, Bridgwater, Somerset.

The problem that dare not speak its name (Monday Page, November 4). Why is this? We are warned of the pains of childbirth, and the pangs to be felt when the little tot first starts school, but I, like Penny Perrick, was totally unprepared for the grievous sense of loss when the parental job was successfully completed and the children had all left home.

The last three of our four were close together in age, so they disappeared in rapid succession. Quite suddenly rooms were empty, there was only one bed to be made, cooking had to be adjusted for only two people.

Of course the usual aid to assuaging grief, work, helps; of course one tries not to load sorrow on the partner – who is also bereft; of course there are many compensations in the new-found freedom. But I do wish I had known before of the inevitability of the "problem". I wish I had been more prepared for that devastating sense of loss and abject misery.

Unlike the pain of child-bearing, the pain of child-parting lurks for ever: it can flare up inexplicably. I suspect its intensity is directly proportional to the past happiness engendered in the home by the children. Not "we get what we pay for" but "we pay for what we have had". Fair enough!

Style watching

From Commander M J Chamberlain, The Base Supply Officer, HMS Nelson, Portsmouth, Hants.

Liz Hodgkinson (Up-to-the-minute style watchers, Wednesday Page, October 30) presents me with a curious crisis of identity. What would psychologist Jane Firbank say of me with my accurate 99p digital strapped firmly to my wrist in bed while my inaccurate Rolex is consigned to the bedside table? Elegant in the boudoir but macho in bed perhaps?

Counselling for Asian families

From Rani Atma, co-ordinator, The Asian Family Counselling Service, Piccadilly, Equity Chambers, Bradford.

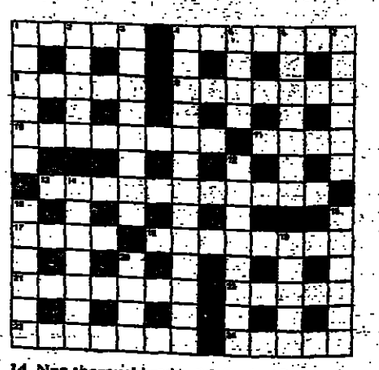
I was most interested to read (Wednesday Page, Oct 23) about the book *In My Own Name* by Sharan-Jeet Shan.

Most Asian couples do get married through the arranged marriage system. It is a practical and admirable system, except when the parents wish to impose their will on the children and communication has broken down. It appears that stress within the Asian families has increased. And it is also true that the Asian women are unable to use the services that are available to the Western woman.

Our service has had a number of referrals from girls and their parents, each convinced that the other is unreasonable. But, like other voluntary agencies dependent on public grants, we are very likely to close down, as no money has been allocated for this work.

The myth that Asians take care of their own problems continues. Sharan-Jeet has managed to get out of the miserable marriage she found herself in, but how many other Asian women have the guts, or the education or the stamina to fight their families, their community and become ostracized? That is why services like ours are indispensable.

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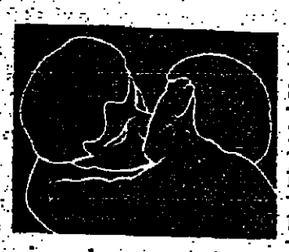
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Living, loving and leaving



After the sexual revolution and the supposed return to more traditional morality that followed, divorce is still on the increase. So how do we view the partnership process and is Happy Families now a game that only children can play?

Anyone who was part of the sexual revolution in the late 1960s and early 1970s could soon see its corrective – the moral backlash. But is our behaviour really different today?

Unfortunately, changes in sexual attitudes can be overplayed and oversimplified. Abortion, teenage contraception, divorce, promiscuity, pornography and cohabitation are bundled together into a package which in the late 1960s could neatly be labelled "A Good Thing" and in the mid-1980s could be re-labelled "A Very Bad Thing Indeed".

To try to reach the complex truth about present attitudes, we turned to a national Gallup Poll and also asked one of Britain's leading qualitative research companies, The Research Business, to conduct a number of discussion groups with single and married men and women under 25, carefully selected on the basis of social class, home background and sexual experience.

What, for a start, can be said about the state of marriage in 1985? If one concentrates solely on the number of divorces (one in three of all new marriages are likely to break down), then the outlook for traditional marriage looks bleak. There are now twice as many divorces each year (approximately 165,000) as there were in 1971 when the Divorce Reform Act came into effect, and there is also a sizeable increase in the number of second and third divorces.

Optimists can at least argue that marriage is now less about having children than about finding a soulmate, and as such is subjected to greater strain. When we are continually scanning our mate for evidence of the slightest incompatibility, rather than being engaged in the practicalities of managing three or four children, it is perhaps not too surprising that we discover differences which can only be resolved by separation.

Nowadays divorce attracts little opprobrium, and often considerable sympathy. This has a double effect. As G. F. Rabbeus wrote in *Patterns of Behaviour* (1980): "Not only does the community of people around the married couple condition them to the acceptability of divorce, it also determines people's expectations in the first place."

One aspect of the new acceptance of divorce is that young people increasingly do not see their parents' staying together as admirable, but as evidence of a lack of character. In a Research Business discussion group, 22-year-old Rachel said: "I know my parents don't get on particularly well, but they won't leave each other because they are too frightened of what their friends might say."

If she were in that position, she added, she would not stay married: "Women know more now than they used to. If it's down to a younger woman, she will get up and go."

One reason for the woman to leave in this way may be the discovery of her husband's affair. Married men still appear to exploit the double standards which allow them to have extra-marital relationships while condemning such behaviour in their wives.

James (23) said: "They're the flowers, we're the bees. We go from flower to flower. But they have to stay where they are".

David (24): "It's a social convention. A girl is a slag if she sleeps around. A guy is a stud."

Despite the persistence of double standards, it does look as though married women are now increasingly likely to have an affair. When the Gallup Poll asked respondents if they thought that, compared to the 1960s, married people would be more or less likely to have an affair, 45 per cent thought it was more likely that a husband would but 57 per cent considered it now more likely for a wife.

In *Woman's World* (October 1985), a poll of women who had been married between five and 15 years were asked a more direct question: "Have you had an affair during your marriage?" Two out of every five admitted that they had, and almost half of those in the survey thought that having an affair might do their marriage good.

Apologists for the present high divorce rate can also be found arguing the case for the increasing number of couples who live together rather than marry.

Far from this being an indication that matrimony has lost some of its sacred or serious character, widespread cohabitation, it is said, shows the determination of young people to marry only when they feel they will be able to do it justice.

Do the facts support this "marital apprenticeship" view, or is living together increasingly an alternative to marriage?

> **"In the old days they just got married and had to make it work"**

Certainly, more and more people are living together before deciding to marry. Between 1970 and 1974 only 8 per cent of women in the 16-34 age group who were marrying for the first time had already been living with their partner. But in the period 1979-82 this had trebled to 24 per cent. If one of the partners had been married before, the proportion rose to 65 per cent (42 per cent in 1970-74).

The Gallup Poll shows that six out of 10 people approved of living together before marriage. Among the 16 to 40-year-olds this figure was as high as eight out of 10. Most of those polled approved of living together *instead* of marriage (46 per cent for and 37 per cent against). The gross percentage figures here hide a real generation gap. While only 30 per cent of the 50 to 64-year-olds and 21 per cent of the over-65s approve of such arrangements, the figure rises to 66 per cent for the 16 to 19-year-olds.

Many of the young people in the discussion groups found it hard to decide whether or not cohabitation should be regarded as a testing ground or as the real thing.

David (24) said: "You've got to get to know each other and there's no other way. In the old days they just got married and had to make it work, and probably spent the rest of their lives hating each other."

Some only wanted to live with girls they thought they might later marry. Andrew (23) said: "I've lived with three girls and in each case I thought I could have got married to them. And I wouldn't have liked it otherwise. You have to have something to look forward to at the end of it, even if it doesn't work out."

James (22): "You should perhaps only get married if you're going to have children. Living with a girl is testing your relationship. Once you find out it's all right then you can get married and have children without worrying."

This masculine attitude that you get married when you are ready to have children was one the married women were inclined to resist: it seemed to them a way in which men were re-asserting traditional roles.

Lesley (21): "I noticed straight away when we got married that he wanted me at home more and more. Goodness knows why."

Trish (22): "And they want children right away."

Sarah (22): "They seem to think children will make you want to stay in. When I was living with my husband before we were married we respected each other's independence. I didn't expect this to suddenly change when we got married, but it did. I wasn't interested in going out on the town but even one night a week with my own friends and I'd have him at home sulking for the next three days."

What some males seem to test during the living together period is likelihood that the woman will make a good traditional wife. To go further, perhaps it is the contrast between living together and marriage which is responsible for the peculiar finding that, on average, those marriages in which the partners have lived together for some time before, are likely to break down more quickly than those involving partners who have not previously cohabited. The marriage may not live up to the high expectations raised by the cohabitation.

But although the present attitudes of many young men and women suggest that living together might increasingly become an alternative to marriage, rather than a pre-condition,

> **"All they wanted was a wedding ring and a piece of paper"**

there is still opposition to this viewpoint from parents.

Victor (22, recently married): "I just couldn't take it any longer – living together. My wife's parents were getting really upset. But their attitude now is completely different. I never got on with them before, now it's an unbelievable transformation. All they wanted apparently was a wedding ring and piece of paper."

Roger (24): "Yes, with me as well. It was my wife's parents who put on the pressure. Now they're all smiles."

It is interesting to consider the implications for marriage rates when this parental pressure is no longer present, when the girls' parents belong to the 1960s generation – 80 per cent of whom, according to Gallup, approve of living together before marriage and 60 per cent approve of living together *instead* of marriage. Will we see a further significant decline in marriages between young people?

There is evidence to suggest so. Between 1980 and 1982 (the last years for which figures are available), HMSO's *Social Trends* noted: "A particularly sharp decline in the number of marriages involving teenagers".

Even when parental pressure might be assumed to be at its greatest, namely when the girl is pregnant, we still find a move away from marriage. Shotgun weddings are becoming a thing of the past. In 1981, even though three-quarters of teenage pregnancies occurred outside marriage, only 19 per cent resulted in marriage.

Half the other pregnancies were ended by abortion, and in the remaining cases the children were born to the unmarried girl. The registration of many babies in both parents' names suggests a close and continuing friendship or cohabitation between the mother and father.

Young women are just as likely as men to favour living together before marriage and to believe in living together as a real alternative to marriage. What is more, in future years it may well be the woman's preference for cohabitation which further reduces the number of marriages in this country. Some women already seem well aware that it guarantees them a degree of independence which is soon likely to disappear if they ever allow their cohabitees to become husbands.

It is difficult to believe that the coming years will bring any reduction in the number of extra-marital affairs or any decline in the divorce rate. Both figures reflect not some fashionable "permissive" attitude, but our increasing emphasis upon marriage as an institution within which we may find an intense and continually rewarding relationship with one other person. The more widespread such an expectation becomes – the further we depart from the more traditional companionable view – the higher will be the casualty figure.

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WEDNESDAY

A question of sex: The Pill, pregnancy and new outlooks on promiscuity

Where even statues can't keep still



PENNY PERRICK

I expect you all know that in Ireland the joint is jumping with moving statues. So blasé have the natives become over this phenomenon that my friend Seamus O'Colmain, taking a turn in Merrion Square and seeing two blue-robed figures approaching in the hazy sunlight, asked me wearily whether they were nuns or statues. I *think* they were nuns but didn't like to ask them.

Statues with the fidgets have given rise, as everything does in that wonderfully jokey country, to some great exchanges of wit. I particularly like story of the niche in a church which contained nothing except a scrawled note proclaiming "Gone to lunch". Nevertheless the situation is not *without* a sense of panic. Dublin's *Evening Herald* rather went to pieces in reporting the smashing of the moving statue of Ballinspittle by photographing one of the defendants with his face partially blacked-out to avoid recognition and then giving his name and address.

I would have given anything to have been in court when the statue-bashers were accused under Section 30 of the Offences Against the State Act. The whole proceedings smacked of Myles na Gopaleen's Cruiskeen Court of Voluntary Jurisdiction and although, as I write, the case is still going on, I am willing to bet that it won't end without a fair number of Gopaleenisms on the lines of "Mr Juteclaw then said that in view of his lordship's attitude he had no alternative but to gather up his papers and withdraw. He then gathered up his papers and withdrew".

The last thing that any Irish village wants is to find itself in a Ballinspittle situation. My own parish priest in Connemara has taken to lurking behind the fuchsia bushes when he sees a parishioner approaching with an over-keen bounce to her step. It just might be that she's seen all the statues in the church shifting about and wants him to spread the news.

This would be a terrible blow locally. The owner of the hotel has put up the closed sign and is at last able to put her feet up. The pubs have taken to not opening until nearly teatime. After the wettest summer in living memory, everyone is glorying in having this diamond-bright autumn to himself with no tourists demanding hard-to-come-by commodities like petrol, Bacardi and Cokes and toasted sandwiches.

So far, their luck has held: while trees and children and the ripples on the lake all dance in the sunshine, the statues stay as still as, well statues.

Back in Ireland, I am going through my usual identity crisis. Like Jack Lemmon in drag in *Some Like It Hot* who had to keep muttering to himself, "I'm a boy, I'm a boy, I'm a boy", I have to keep reminding myself that I am a Londoner born and bred.

It would be easier if the Irish were to remind me of it, too, asking my opinion of Mrs Thatcher, Princess Michael and Kingsley Amis. But noting my pale, freckled skin, grey eyes and my ability to recite Seamus Heaney's poetry by the yard they have decided that I am a changeling, snatched by leprechauns from some little grey home in the West and transported to a semi in Golders Green.

Perhaps one grows to love and feel part of a people if their excesses are those that one would most like to have oneself. So in Cornwall I feel as alien as a Martian because Cornish self-indulgence takes the form of a narrow privacy, keeping oneself to oneself, enduring the rain *that hits you like tintacks fired* from a gun, the hideous Jerry-built estates on the cliffs, the pasties that taste like Kit-e-Kat.

Excess in Ireland is the kind I feel comfortable with: extreme sociability; ill-considered rage at any change from an old building knocked down to constitutional reform; a tolerance for day-dreaming, inefficient housekeeping and over-cooked vegetables. In England it is thought rather odd that I talk to strangers at bus-stops and test a boiled egg for readiness by lifting it out of the pan and watching to see if the steam runs off it by the time I've counted to twelve. So maybe the leprechauns had a hand in it. Or maybe someone just dropped me on the head after birth.

● *I cannot wait for the first intrepid male journalist to hobtail his way into a Playboy Club and come up with an exposé entitled A Day in the Life of a Hefner Rabbit. I want to know if what's sauce for the Playboy Bunnies is now sauce for their male counterparts. Will there be Rabbit Fathers, as there are Bunny Mothers, to keep waiter and bus boy Rabbits in check? Will the Rabbits have to stuff cottonwool down their costumes to emphasise parts of their anatomy?*

Will Playboy be able to adhere so rigidly to the rules of the game that ears must be rigidly upright and tails fluffily clean? Will the Rabbits have to execute the Bunny Bob while serving drinks or will they be able to get away with the Rabbit Run? Will the same rules apply about dating the customers?

In view of certain distressing turns in the sexual situation, I think it would be wise for Rabbit Fathers to advise their "children" to make sure that the charm is turned on solely for customers' wives. Although, come to think if it, that could lead to a bit of trouble, too.

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Iron Curtain agony aunt

The basics of domestic life are hard to come by in Poland, a fact not unknown to Mrs Krystyna Zeilinska, the nation's favourite "agony aunt", who has just become an MP.

Mrs Zielinska, the Marjorie Proops of the Iron Curtain, has to make sense of life in a land of short supply. Whatever one may think of Poland's parliamentary elections – and Solidarity does not think much of them – the Polish parliament has now for the first time somebody who can stand up in Warsaw and say: "Yes, Minister, but what about shoes? Or lavatory paper, or light bulbs, batteries, tights, coffee, washing machines, tiles, bath tubs, socks . . . ? "

Poland's leading consumer journalist, a 61-year-old grandmother, revealed that her private archives comprise "tons" of letters from trampled-on women – "a catalogue of consumer woes".

The correspondence also includes tear-stained appeals from women with alcoholic husbands and sad cases of sudden illness and injury.

Mrs Zielinska, a member of the ruling Communist Party and married to General Zielinska, former Deputy Defence Minister, claims: "Women are better off now than in my mother's day, but at a cost. They have sacrificed charm, attractiveness and love in marriage because things and not people have to dominate their lives. And when they have things, they want to hang on to them. When they can't have them, they get very frustrated".

She says she will campaign for the indexation of pensions: "Inflation is a menace. It's causing sleepless nights for elderly people who have worked hard all their lives to save for their old age and who now see their money just melting away".



Krystyna Zielinska: *Polish Proops*

She has also written a book in which she describes the consumer market as "the nightmare of a drunken lunatic". But what if this lunatic were to sober up, or stop dreaming? The scope of improving the lot of the Polish housewife is neither large, nor encouraging.

Mrs Zielinska's recipe sounds strange in a communist state, though it is a familiar enough message for Mrs Thatcher's Britain. The managing class has to recover its moral fibre, learn to take risks, think bureaucratically, work out forms of organization to serve people and increase production. And workers must stop thinking just about their rights and privileges, and be more disciplined in their approach to work.

Her solutions for Poland's consumer misery have made her unpopular with some managers and the more cushioned part of the working class. She has occasionally been banned from publishing. A one-year-long ban followed her account of a steel worker who wrote graffiti about his bosses on the lavatory door of his plant. The police dismantled the door, took it to a graphologist and traced the culprit.

Mrs Zielinska then wrote sympathetically about the hapless writer and was reprimanded by Wladyslaw Gomulka, the the Communist Party leader. She was blacklisted after writing about refrigerators that actually heated things instead of freezing them.

Mrs Zielinska has managed to be an uncomfortable presence within the establishment. She seems to abhor those who choose the line of least resistance, whether workers, managers or ministers.

In a recent visit to clothing factories she encountered women who told her they had worked 30 years and wanted to retire early. "But those women were maybe 47 or 48, the work period included their time in vocational school, and they were talking like this because they wanted to pick up pensions and benefits and then go to work privately for more money."

She has a qualified admiration for Mrs Thatcher – if only for her ability to bang a desk and get things done. Certainly some of her *bons mots* have the smack of Downing Street. Still, she does not think that Polish-style shortages are inherent in socialism. Life could be made more liveable by making intelligent use of market forces, she insists.

The doughty deputy has no craving for ministerial status. Indeed, to be prices minister in Poland is a sophisticated form of torture. She is content to wag her finger at the leaders and the led. "The point is this – to improve the market, not so that it becomes a provider of luxuries but just so that people can get the basics."

Roger Boyes

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School revision

It is like catching Biggles saying we were never meant to fly. Anthony Buckeridge, known to generations of schoolboys as the author of the *Jennings* books, has turned on boarding schools, calling them "artificial environments" that produce "decadent aberrations". The remarks from the patron saint of grazed knees and conkers come in his review in the *London Magazine* of William Boyd's mordant screenplays about public schools. Confessing that his own boarding school years had not seemed an "enriching experience", he says his "firmly held conviction that boarding school does not provide a nourishing environment for the young was deepened *in extremis*" by Boyd's films. The schools' encouragement of group behaviour drags each boy down, he claims. So why did he write *Jennings and Darbishire*, the cause (he has been told) of some boys wanting to go away to school? "In doing so," he says, "I may have been able to come to terms with the damaging effects of an environment which I have always felt exerted a blight that had to be fought off."

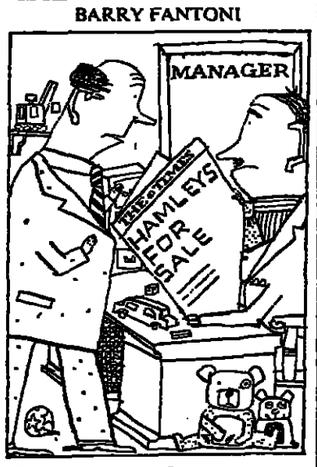
Classy

Labour's latest left-of-centre ginger group meets for the first time tonight in the agreeable surroundings of the Gloucester Room, at Westminster's St Ermin's Hotel – a favourite of the party's less guilt-ridden "moderate" elements. In a letter to tonight's plotters, organizer Chris Smith, MP, asks: "Why should the right wing always collar the best places?" and promises that drinks can be bought throughout the evening. I'm told the group is already dubbed The Liquid Left.

Culture vultures

It seems there is no dissuading the GLC from throwing good money after bad into a new Irish cultural centre in Brent East (prospective Labour candidate: K. Livingstone). Although the GLC spent £350,000 buying the building from Brent Council in 1983 and gave £230,000 for repairs only last Christmas, the Irish group in charge of the project ran out of money in July and now wants another £385,000. Last week Labour GLC members examined a confidential officers' report complaining of "very poor" financial control. Some of a capital grant had been spent on repairs; a £60,000 cheque to builders had bounced; balance sheets had failed to materialize by the promised date. The officers' report asked how £1.3 million worth of works remaining to be done on the centre would be paid for, and how its £500,000-a-year running costs would be met. Undaunted, Livingstone and the GLC Labour group responded by asking for another report "setting out the case for further grant aid of up to £500,000 and proposals to secure better project management and financial control".

BARRY FANTONI



'Bad news, sir. The Pelham puppets are walking out in protest'

Blockbusters

A successful anti-burglar campaign at Tottenham's Broadwater Farm estate, scene of last month's riot in which a policeman died, is in danger of backfiring on police. Earlier this year, following Metropolitan Police advice to councils, steel-reinforced doors were installed at the bottom of the estate's two tower blocks. The doors have proved impenetrable, but not only to criminals: recently police apparently spent an hour with a sledgehammer trying to break into the block. To make matters worse, Haringey Council this summer refused to give police magnetic cards for a sophisticated new entry-phone system on the estate. The tenants' federation saw no reason why police should have automatic access to their blocks, arguing that they would hardly expect keys to private estates. Bobbies desperate to get in must now seek out the caretaker trusted with the skeleton entry-card.

Steering group

Not withstanding the risk of Norman Tebbit jokes, Dennis Skinner has bought a bike to help get around his Bolsover constituency. Skinner, not known for extravagant impulse buys, paid £200 for his aluminium-framed Claud Butler – but he explains it allows him to get up to previously unattainable spots like Slack Hill. Not to be outdone, Tony Benn, MP for neighbouring Chesterfield, also has a new bike, but the old Sybarite has a motor on his.

PHS

Escape route for Mr Fowler

John Kay offers a solution to the government's pension dilemma, debated in Parliament today

Britain's attempts to find a state pension scheme for the 21st century seem perpetually ill-fated. In 1961, a Conservative government introduced the first graduated pensions, against rigorous Labour opposition. In government soon after, Labour planned to scrap the graduated scheme and replace it with a more elaborate system of national superannuation. The Crossman blueprint was, however, abandoned when Labour lost the 1970 election.

The Joseph scheme followed with a much greater role for the private sector: it too was the subject of legislation, it too was dropped after its architects were defeated at the polls. By 1975 it was hardly surprising that the most important criterion for a new scheme was that everyone should be able to agree.

Serps, the state earnings-related pension scheme, was the product of this consensus. This is why it is so complicated, and also why it succeeds in being both expensive and inadequate for the majority of poor pensioners. It should hardly require restatement that an earnings-related scheme offers most to the better off, and little or nothing to households with histories of low incomes or extensive experience of unemployment.

Serps's only merit – that everyone had agreed to it – was one that could only survive so long as everyone was unaware of what it implied or what it would cost. Even if Norman Fowler retreats from his initial proposals for complete abolition, the bipartisan consensus on pensions policy has now been shattered.

Certainly removing the frills from Serps, particularly those which are generous to women, will not now restore that consensus. These frills are the most popular parts of it, which is why they are there: the question now should be whether it is possible to reform Serps in some more fundamental way, which would strike a better balance between conflicting pension objectives.

Two objectives are paramount. One is that a revised scheme should allow successive governments an appropriate degree of freedom within an overall structure that remains broadly constant. But that structure cannot survive unless it allows governments to pursue their particular different political and economic judgements within it.

The second requirement is that a revised scheme should allow control of future costs according to the economic circumstances of the day, while still giving prospective pensioners reasonable certainty as to their final entitlements.

Any revised state pension scheme must allow a flexible age of retirement, and achieve equality of pension age between men and women. It must deal generally with the issue of adequate pension entitlements for women in a world in which their earnings records are often broken and in which many marriages break down before retirement.

It must hasten rather than hinder a more rational relationship between tax and benefits; but maintain some qualification condition that would prevent Ronald Reagan collecting a pension on every visit to 10 Downing Street. And it should be simpler than Serps – the greatest nightmare of all is that modification will add to its complexity.

Are these objectives attainable? I believe they are. An alternative route to Serps reform might look like this. Suppose an individual's income in any year, with its associated tax liabilities, brought him a number of points in a new state pension scheme replacing both Serps and the flat-rate state pension. The same number of points could be given to anyone with incomes over a given level, and the number could increase as income rose.

For those with private pensions, both pension points and tax to be paid would be reduced. Women who stay at home rather than earning – for example to look after children – could be granted points in the scheme. These rules could be varied by governments which wished to support earnings-related pensions, stimulate the private sector, or direct help to poorer pensioners. The individual would keep his points, once acquired, and those earned by married people could be split equally between spouses.

At 60 or over, any member of the scheme is free to retire, and convert his or her lifetime's accumulation of state pension points into a number of pension units. The older he or she was at retirement, the greater the number of pension units per pension point would be, and the ratio would be different for women and men. The pension book would denote entitlement to a number of pension units, whose value would be displayed monthly at the Post Office.

The government would plan to index the value of a unit month by month in line with prices: it would hope to do better than this, if real earnings grew, but might do worse if economics and demography proved unexpectedly adverse.

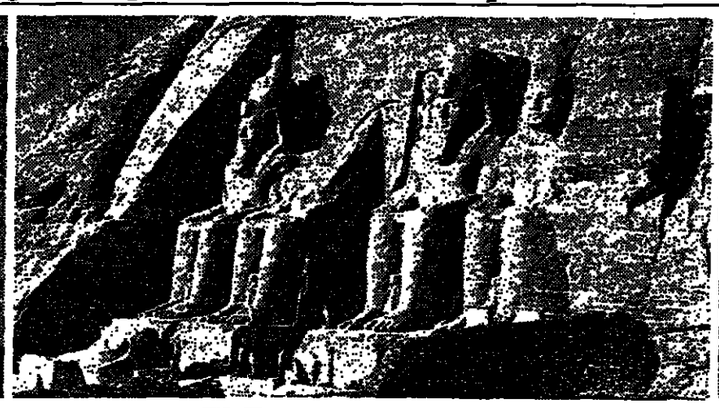
This new scheme is simple, flexible and responsive to changing political and economic demands. It could also lead to much simpler pension provision without the need for a complex contribution system. The majority of accumulated rights in the existing national insurance scheme and in Serps could be assimilated it without great difficulty by allocating points on the basis of existing entitlements.

It allows greater control over future expenditure than even the abolition proposal would have allowed, while representing an evolution rather than a revolution from today's position. Perhaps it offers the Secretary of State for Social Services an escape from his pensions dilemma.

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Rosemary Righter reports on the muttered protests still slow to surface







Sofia

Unesco: is British withdrawal the only hope?

Two voices have been in play at Sofia, where the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization concluded on Saturday a five-week general conference. On the surface, it was the most critical in its 39 years of existence. But the second, unofficial, voice has been less audible.

The conference was crucial, in formal terms. Unesco, a byword even in the UN for administrative slovenliness, political bias and runaway patronage, is disintegrating. The US, one of its three founders, has already and Britain, has given notice to leave next month unless there is comprehensive reform. The conference was supposed to decide not only Unesco's future, but whether it has a future. In deference to the ritual importance of general conferences, the British government said it would take its final decision only after Sofia.

Certainly the concern to prevent Britain's departure was genuine. Third World governments were markedly conciliatory and the Soviet Union – as anxious as anybody to keep Britain in – showed an unprecedented willingness to compromise, or at least to concur in fudged or postponed decisions. "Everything has been done," a West European diplomat said, "to avoid handing the British a smoking gun".

Unesco conferences, however, like most of those in the UN, have only marginal relevance to the working of the organization once the diplomats go home. They are a ritual war of resolutions.

The British, by all accounts, used the exceptional influence created by their having one foot in the exit door to fight a skilful rearguard action. But not only did they fail to win major shifts either in Unesco's programmes or the future conduct of its business: they could not have attempted to do so at Sofia. Long before the advance guard of Unesco's secretariat flew in from Paris, its strategy for the next two years (ostensibly the main reason for the conference) had been fixed.

The British created a considerable stir by arriving with a last-minute list of modifications buttressed by much plain speaking. They gained a small proportion of these, which will dilute some of Unesco's most obnoxious programmes – those which stray from its constitutional mandate or show the most evident political bias – but they will remain hopelessly fragmented.

Even with complete success, these modest proposals would not have achieved what British ministers want: a clear reduction of Unesco activities to a few major practical objectives. Significantly, it was considered "unconstructive", as the Soviet Union put it, to question even the odd sub-paragraph of Unesco's programmes in what is allegedly the sovereign body of the organization.

What started as a western blitzkrieg nearly two years ago, when the US handed in its notice, has degenerated into weary trench warfare. The central issues – financial responsibility, a rational staff policy which would outlaw political patronage and reward merit in a proper career structure, and a genuinely independent system of evaluation to ensure value for money – have yet to be resolved. The problem created by the authoritarian and eccentric management style of Unesco's director-general, Amadou-Mahtar M'Bow, and the need to restrict the extraordinary latitude accorded a director-general under Unesco's rules are still taboo subjects.

The West started out with grand ambitions, but partly because it has never coordinated a strategy, and partly because of M'Bow's skill in marshalling Third World governments against any challenge, soon reverted to old bargaining habits. These produced a lengthy but only marginally relavent list of adjustments – the "reform package" presented to member-states at Sofia.

If administrative reforms were having an impact for example, M'Bow's deputy Jean Knapp would not have had to send a confidential memorandum to all sectors on October 4 drawing attention to the "disturbing situation" prevailing in Unesco's field operations, financed with money from other parts of the UN system.

Unesco has fallen so far behind in these practical programmes that by September 30, only 50 per cent of the money provided by the UN Development Programme had been spent. Knapp's memorandum called for a redoubled effort to spend the lot before December to avoid a severe budget cut in future.

Nothing done in Sofia will alter this state of affairs. Of the 100 resolutions passed, non requires or prohibits anything and none will inhibit an executive led by a man of M'Bow's cunning. But as he himself triumphantly summed up on Saturday, "The debates and the decisions have shown that the international community was not disposed to rally to a limited concept of the field of action" of Unesco.

The question is not whether the outcome of this conference meets British requirements, carefully reiterated there by the responsible minister, Timothy Raison; it clearly does not. The question is what the balance sheet looks like after nearly two years of negotiation, and whether Unesco can now "command our wholehearted support, and not just our lip service".

Against M'Bow's strenuous opposition, a sub-committee of the governing board has been set up to follow through the reform process, but it will report to a board which has been packed with M'Bow supporters.

The main argument at Sofia, significantly, was whether the observer mission the US still maintains at Unesco should be shown the door. Should all American nationals on the staff be sacked in defiance of the rules governing the UN civil service? Should the US be forced to pay dues "owed" for 1985 (when it was no longer a member)?

This was a fine diversion from Unesco's real troubles, allowing much congratulation when – to please the British – the Third World and the Soviet Union backed down. Nobody seemed concerned that the display was unlikey to encourage the US to return.

Because the British representative, Hugh Arbuthnott, while while formally expressing "disappointment" at Britains limited gains in important areas such as peace education and disarmament, joined the consensus on Unesco's programme and budget, Britain is considered by M'Bow to have "given its word". If Britain, having been granted so many concessions, were to "betray the confidence" implied, this could only mean that it was against the principal of multilateral cooperation, he said.

There is no guarantee that many of the reforms will be implemented. Off the platform, the second unofficial voice at Sofia was less optimistic. "My conclusion", said one participant from West Europe, "it that the gains were purely tactical, that two negatives do not equal a positive, and that we in the West must begin to develop a real policy".

For that to materialize, France will have to stop playing the joker in the pack. Having dragged their feet on reforms for two years, the French had incurred the universal wrath of their western colleagues by the time diplomats left Sofia. The final straw came when the British discovered by chance that Gisèle Halimi, France's ambassador to Unesco, had signed a resolution congratulating M'Bow, on behalf of the EEC, but without consulting the EEC. They managed only in the nick of time to stop it going through.

It may be necessary for Britain to leave if a western policy is to develop. The Commonwealth, publicly appalled at the prospect, hardly gives the matter high priority. Most of Britain's European partners are torn. They want Britain to stay, because they do not relish moving to the front of the firing line. But they know that if Britain does stay, their bargaining power will diminish. Worst of all, they would expect M'Bow, whose term ends in 1987, to bid successfully for a third term – as the saviour of Unesco.

Nobody in the West wants this. The Eastern bloc, which has discovered that Unesco is simply not the same without the US, wants it back for political as well as financial reasons, and is preparing to drop its support for M'Bow.

Influential Third World diplomats express in private their fervent wish that he will now announce his departure. But none will say so publicly, and M'Bow could probably count on Third World solidarity. Only Britain's departure would so imperil Unesco as to bring dissent into the open. It still has a long way to go before it surfaces.

M'Bow (left), triumphant; Raison, rebuffed; Abu Simbel, crowning achievement of Unesco's now overstretched ancient sites programme

Tomatoes throw Europe's summit progress

Brussels

Life is getting increasingly hectic for Europe's foreign ministers. For them the world summit means not only the Reagan-Gorbachov encounter, but also the looming deadline of December 2, when EEC heads of government meet in Luxembourg on the unresolved issue of Common Market reform.

Today – Armistice Day, appropriately – Sir Geoffrey Howe and his European colleagues hold a further unscheduled meeting in Luxembourg to try to reach an agreed formula before the summit.

Yet ministers are displaying a baffling tendency to concentrate on peripheral issues instead of firmly grasping the nettle of reform. When they met in informal session in Luxembourg last month, they got embroiled in a lengthy discussion of Mediterranean trade after the accession of Spain and Portugal in January. "Typical", said one jaundiced EEC observer. "Ask our governments to decide the future of Europe as a world power and they talk about tomatoes."

There is a danger that if no agreement is reached in the next three weeks, much of the blame will fall on Britain. Already there are mutterings that the ponderously named Inter-Governmental Conference (IGC) is being held up by Britain's "reserved position" on nearly all questions. The IGC, which takes the form of foreign minister-level sessions interspersed by lower-level working groups, was a device dreamed up at last March's summit in Milan, when Mrs Thatcher dismissed it as "airy fairy". The aim is nothing less than the re-organization of community institutions now that it numbers 12 – twice the original number of members in 1957 – and revision of the Treaty of Rome, the founding document.

The issues at stake are completion of the internal EEC market by 1992, the free transfer of goods, people, capital and services across borders and greater powers for the European Parliament at Strasbourg, with revised powers for the Commission and Council of Ministers in Brussels. Over all this hangs the contentious issue of the cherished national veto, and whether it should be overriden by majority rather than unanimous voting.

Today's meeting is likely to cover European policy on the protection of the environment, cooperation in new technology, and cohesion – Euro-jargon for redistribution of resources to poorer member states such as Greece and Ireland. Britain's view, reasonably enough, tends to be that none of these really requires the upheaval of basic treaty amendment.

The real drawback is that the "soft options" are being tackled first, and the thorniest issues – the European Parliament and internal market – will not be met head-on until next week, at yet another unscheduled foreign ministers' session. At this rate, the December summit will be able to discuss at best a general statement of principles: "Not too detailed but not too vapid", in the words of one official.

There is likely to be some progress on the internal market. Britain does not oppose the idea of removing barriers to trade, only the idea that this and other measures should be written into the Treaty of Rome. But it still looks to more dedicated European as if the "Anglo-Saxons" are again dragging their feet. Tensions between Thatcher and senior British member of the European Commission, Lord Cockfield, over harmonization of taxes within the EEC do not help, nor do statements by British ministers to the effect thay British contributions to joint European venturs make them British rather than European products.

Cockfield – appointed by Thatcher, ironically, for being a Euro-sceptic – has taken to making visionary statements recently about the need to accept loss of national sovereignty on the grounds that the "strength of the 12 is greater than the sum of the 12 individually". On the evidence so far the Luxembourg summit is likely to take a far more cautious view.

Richard Owen

Anne Sofer

Mindless football justice

In the 18th century we hanged people for sheep-stealing. In the 20th we give them life sentences for "waving their fists in a menacing manner".

This was the worst the prosecution could allege against Kevin Whitton when he was sentenced to life imprisonment last week on a charge of rioting outside Chelsea football ground. There were no injuries, no complaints and no witnesses in court other than the policeman who arrested him. On the day of the incident the young man was taken to the police station, charged with the relatively minor offence of "threatening behaviour" and released within an hour or two.

But hang on a moment, you cry. He slashed a publican with a broken beer glass; horrible injuries, dozens of stitches; we saw the picture in the paper. So did I, all over the newsstands on Saturday. "Life for Soccer Savage" it said in *The Sun*; "Life for Soccer Yob" in *The Mirror*, next to that grim photograph.

There was indeed an appalling crime committed that evening in the Henry J. Beans public house; Kevin Whitton was found guilty of causing grievous bodily harm and given a 10-year sentence for his alleged part in it. I will come back to that later. But the point I am trying to make is that, on an entirely separate charge and relating to a separate incident, this young man has been given a *life sentence* for "waving his fist in a menacing manner".

As an erstwhile Chelsea fan who never missed a home game for several years, I am familiar with the sort of behaviour described in court. In the half-hour before the game starts the crush of crowds pushing their way into the Stamford Bridge grounds can be quite frightening; when a group of toughs hangs around shouting taunts and making threatening gestures to rival supporters, the atmosphere can become positively dangerous. I, for one, have no objection to eagle-eyed police action against that sort of thing. Yes, they should be arrested and charged if appropriate, or banned from football matches.

But life? Would any onlooker, watching young Whitten either (on his admission) being truculent when asked to move on, or (in the policeman's version) waving a menacing fist and aiming a kick at some rival supporter – would any onlooker, however keen on law and order, have said: "That young man should be put away for life"?

Well, the answer apparently is yes. The sentence, delivered by Judge Argyle, has been greeted with universal acclaim. "The judge deserves the nation's thanks for this breath of sanity" said one Tory MP. "Well done, Judge Argyle," cried another. Labour spokesmen, not to be outdone, came on even stronger. "It is exactly right that brutal and mindless violence should attract a violent sentence", said Robin Corbett.

The Football Association is delighted: Chelsea's chairman, Ken Bates, hoped that "this is indicative of the future punishment to anyone else who behaves in this violent way". "We applaud stiff sentences for this kind of behaviour," said the Police Federation.

Now I suspect that at least some of these commentators, as indeed the rest of the world, have been misled by the manner in which the case has been reported. They have assumed that the life sentence was for the slashing in the pub, or at least that the "riot" outside Stamford Bridge and the pub incident ran into each other so closely that they constituted one continuous chain of events.

In fact the incident outside Stamford Bridge happened at 2.30 pm; the incident in the pub eight hours later. No evidence was offered of any incidents in the intervening periods, and the evidence that the group of young men in the pub had any connection with the afternoon's match depends entirely on Whitton's "confession".

In fact only two threads connect the two incidents. One is the fact that the ringleader of the Stamford Bridge incident was described by the police as "fat, with swept-back black hair", and the man who actually slashed the publican was described has "stockyish but not fat, with lank black hair which was short medium length". This merged character has now become the "vicious thug known as the Fat Man" for whom the police are still hunting.

The only other connection between the two incidents is Whitton's "confession". There are two accounts of his interview after he was arrested, three weeks after the incident, on the charge of "grievous bodily harm". In the first, which he has signed and at which his solicitor was present, he denied even being in the pub that evening, saying that after he had been released from the police station in the early evening he had gone home to his sister's in Croydon. (His sister, brother-in-law and two teenage nieces all confirmed this story at the trial). In the second, which he has not signed and which does not relate to anything that happened while his solicitor was present, he allegedly confessed to having been in the pub, and to holding the arms of the publican while the "fat man" was slashing him.

Only one other witness identified Whitton as having been in the pub – a customer who was attacked in the fight. He said at the trial that he now had doubts both about the identification and the way in which the police had obtained it from him.

Apart from Whitton's "confession", no mention was made at the time of anyone holding back the publican's arms while he was being slashed. The publican's original statement, talking of "swinging the stocky man around" and "exchanging a couple of punches", gave the opposite impression. Just before the trial, however, he made an additional statement that his arms had been pinned to his body, but he could not identify Whitton.

I am as keen as Judge Argyle that football hooliganism should be stopped, violent crime punished, and the British reputation for sportsmanship restored. But we also have something of a reputation for justice, which needs safeguarding just as solicitously – however desperately the public mood craves a scapegoat.

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moreover . . . Miles Kington

Purveyors of olde worde charm

I looked out of the train the other day and saw a large notice on a stretch of empty ground in Watford, proclaiming that 236 dwellings were about to be built there. I can't swear that it was exactly 236, but I can swear that it was dwellings they were going to be.

Dwelling, to me, is a word that conjures up images of small thatched houses in 18th century prints or shacks in the Third World – at any rate, somewhere cramped, leaking and not particularly desirable. For a moment I had a vision of a ready-made depressed rural settlement being built in the middle of Watford, and I wondered what market they were aiming at.

Another moment's thought took me nearer the truth. Dwelling is the sort of word used by copywriters when they want to make houses seem more interesting. Residence is another, and so is home. Abode might be a good word, except that it doesn't sit very easily in the plural, as in "236 Abodes to be Built in Watford", though I expect it may happen when the copywriters get sick of dwelling.

A third moment's thought revealed that this is all part of a larger trend, not the normal process of new words coming into the language and having to be explained to us by Philip Howard, but the exact opposite: *old* words coming back into the language (and having to be explained to us by Philip Howard). The advantage of old words is that they are evocative, antique, comforting, reminiscent of a Britain when things were more – well, *old* than they are now.

That's why pubs so often become hostelries or taverns, and why signs outside say "Purveyors of Fine Wines and Liquors"; that is why, indeed, beer started becoming ale again. It's why eating-places are called The Buttery or The Refectory, why scents are called fragrances, and why British Rail sells Traveller's Fare and not Traveller's Food. It's why markets become marts, fairs become fayres and why barrels turn back into casks.

The odd thing is that nobody uses any of these words in everyday life. People do not go into estate agents and say: "I am looking for a dwelling in the Watford area". When people look at each other round about opening time with a thirsty look, they do not say: "I feel like a fine wine or liquor – let us hie us to the nearest hostelry and see if they can purvey us one". Nor do we go into a station buffet and accost the railway servant (another nice old phrase) with the words: "Hail, I am a traveller – give me some fare".

What we have, in fact, is a language which is only written and not spoken. It's not even meant to be spoken. It is language used as packaging; the Crabtree and Evelyn approach, the Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady style, which turns a basket of food into ye country picknick hamper.

This is not to criticize the contents; Traveller's Fare is producing better sandwiches than British Rail has done for a long time, and my Crabtree and Evelyn shaving block is excellent value, though now I come to look at it I see it is made by Crabtree & Evelyn. Something quite nice and old about that &, don't you think?

I fancy that copywriters have a copy of *Roget's Thesaurus* by them, preferably an old edition, to raid for evocative words. Look at the entry for "vessel", for instance: "Vase, urn, jar, amphora, cruse, crock, pot, pipkin, gugglet, pitcher, ewer, jug, toby-jug, gourd, calabash, carafe, decanter, bottle, flask, flagon, vial, phial". Just reading it makes you want to rush out and market something, anything, in a cruse, gugglet, flagon or crock. Of all copywriters, the ones I envy are those who have to make up names for paints on test cards – those dove greys, avocado greens, mother-of-pearl silver, deep sea blue and liver-and-bacon brown. Reading the list is like wading through an over-the-top nature poem.

In fact, I remember W. H. Auden at a lecture 25 years ago saying that already the copywriter had overtaken the poet in many areas. He quoted a slogan for a deodorant: "It's always August underneath your arms", and said that many a poet would give their eye teeth to write a line like that. I wonder what he would say about the new generation of copywriters, the dwelling/hostelry/purveyor men. Perhaps that, not content with shouldering aside modern poets, they are now trying to replace poets who lived one or two hundred years ago.

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TIMES PAST THE TIMES

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GENEVA IS NOT DISNEYLAND

Summits exert a brooding presence over the world on either side of them. This is why diplomats who are scared of heights are reluctant to attempt any more than they have to, and to keep, by and large, to the easy climbs.

Next week's Geneva encounter between President Reagan and Mr Gorbachov is already being assessed in terms of success or failure, depending it would seem on whether they can sign a pact on arms control. "US officials acknowledged that only minor agreements at best can be expected" according to a Reuter dispatch after the 14-hour preparatory talks between Messrs Shultz and Shevardnadze in Moscow last week. But if anyone had expected very much more he would have been better off visiting Disneyland.

History gives strength to optimism. Of the seven previous summits since President Kennedy entered the White House, several have produced agreements of some substance – including the last two, in June 1979 when Jimmy Carter and Leonid Brezhnev signed the Salt-2 treaty and in November 1974 when Gerald Ford and Mr Brezhnev concluded the Vladivostock arms control accord. Even at the one before that in June-July 1974 Richard Nixon and the long-running Brezhnev were able to announce further limits on missile defences and the size of underground tests.

But these were summits held for the most part after protracted, complex negotiations at which the nuts and bolts of the resulting agreements had been more or less secured. All the statesmen had to do was to add an extra twist of the spanner, smile politely at the cameras and sign on the dotted line. The communiqués were already in place.

Now by contrast they are trying not so much to conclude an agreement as to begin one. President Reagan himself keeps talking about making a "fresh start" in East-West relations. There is nothing wrong with that; in fact it's a very good thing, like motherhood and apple pie. But it needs a different set of criteria to evaluate its outcome, from those which are now most apparent.

For one thing they will not have very much time. The summit will last two days. But by the time the formalities have been completed and translations made and the communiqués drafted and agreed, the available opportunity for serious discussion will have shrunk.

Nor is it as if a treaty is in sight. This is not to deny that there has been some encouraging progress. The Gorbachov proposals in Paris last month offered the prospect of "deep cuts" in strategic missiles – which is exactly what President Carter was trying to achieve in the Spring of 1977 when Moscow more or less slammed the door in the face of his Secretary of State. Mr Gorbachov has also reopened the prospect of limitation on medium-range missiles in the European theatre.

Not only that but President Reagan has responded by modifying the existing American package of proposals to narrow the gap between the two positions. Under the new American offer for instance, the White House is seeking to reduce the number of land-based Soviet strategic warheads to 3,000 instead of 2,500. The number of long-range bombers would be restricted to 350 instead of 400 and their arsenal of cruise missiles to 1,500 instead of 4,000. As for medium-range nuclear weapons in Europe, the American proposals are said to have fixed a ceiling of 140, which is roughly the number of American cruise and Pershing-2s which should be deployed by the end of this year. The total of strategic long-range warheads allowed by the Washington package would be 4,500 (it used to be 5,000), while at present the United States has about 8,000 and the USSR 9,000.

But the gaps, though reduced, are still there. Mr Gorbachov has suggested equal cuts not equal ceilings, which would leave the Soviet Union with 4,500 warheads and the Americans 4,000. He wants up to 3,600 on land-based missiles not 3,000, no air-launched cruise missiles at all and the British and French deterrents to be counted in the theatre balance in Europe. And how do you define a strategic weapon? The superpowers have not yet come together on that fundmental question.

And finally the Soviets still demand an end to the American Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI), a plank in President Reagan's platform that is firmly and rightly nailed down. There is indeed much brooding to be done in advance.

WHEN THE SHEPHERD STRAYS

The General Synod of the Church of England reconvenes next week after fresh elections, to get down to an agenda consisting largely of the unfinished business of its predecessors, the unsolved dilemmas of being a church in the modern world. It is not, for instance, for want of trying that the Church of England has failed to find an acceptable general policy towards divorced persons who seek remarriage in church. It looked for a balance between two principles which pull in opposite directions: that the church should show forth God's mercy towards those whose marriages break down; and that the church should witness to its belief that marriage is a lifelong state. Although the church's formal position now is still in principle against church remarriages, the reality is that parish clergy have considerable discretion to do what they think best in each case.

One further issue, which the General Synod now has to face, was put off while remarriage in church was being debated, in the hope that it would be easier to solve if the church's mind was known on the more general question. It is whether and to what extent it is acceptable that a clergyman should himself be divorced. Although there is an absolute bar against the ordination of a man who has divorced and remarried (whether in church or not), it is not an unfrockable offence once he is ordained. He could only be removed if the circumstances are so notorious as to lead to a "pastoral breakdown" between himself and his flock, and that has to be proved.

There are anomalies here, and the recommendation to the General Synod is that instead of invariable rules there should be a discretion allowed to the bishop, so that each case could be handled on its merits. It does seem wrong that a man divorced half a lifetime ago with an exemplary family life now and much to offer the church should be refused ordination automatically. It does seem right that a bishop should have a wider range of options to deal with one of his clergy whose matrimonial circumstances are unordinary. The recent debates on divorce in the church established at least that it is no longer thought appropriate to try to penetrate the mysteries of marital breakdown by apportioning blame and guilt. It is no longer decreed, for example, that a person entering second marriage should abstain from Holy Communion for a while.

It is a natural assumption that the clergy should manifest in their lives the moral teaching of the church they represent by their Holy Orders, though it is not necessarily a fair one. Impeccability is not a grace conferred by ordination. So if public confidence in the church is not to be weakened, the bishops would have to use the powers the synod may give them with discretion in both senses of the word. Nor is it necessarily the easy answer. Bishops may have to use their discretion to refuse a man ordination to the priesthood or institution to a living, whereas they are now protected from having to make delicate judgements.

If the synod goes in the direction recommended to it, the whole area of marriage, divorce and the church will become covered by the exercise of discretion rather than the application of a clear policy. It means in effect that the two opposing principles, to be merciful and to be faithful to church teaching, have to be applied in each case. From the outside, it may all begin to look rather arbitrary, as if the church is not quite sure what it stands for. But that indeed is a fair summary of the General Synod's recent treatment of the issue.

ACROSS THE BOARD

Chess is Russia's national game. Here we have less sedentary favourites. But anyone following from afar the fortunes of champion and challenger in the Tchaikovsky hall, Moscow, must have shared something of the absorption and excitement of that audience. It was a thrilling match, broken off in February by a decision that had every appearance of being protective of the defending champion Anatoly Karpov, and later resumed, on terms that favoured him, for a run of 24 games in which the result remained open to the very last.

It was a match of strong contrast on the board. Gary Kasparov's play recovered for the championship a quality of combinative originality found in his great predecessor and fellow-countrymann Alekhine, something of the King-hunting freedom of Morphy and Anderssen before Steinitz established the permanent superiority of the accumulation of minute advantages, the technique of which Karpov is the finest exponent today. Kasparov's Queen sacrifice in the eleventh game is one of the classic *coups de théâtre* of chess. Out of this contest of techniques came some of the very finest chess, and in the common pleasure taken at Kasparov's victory it would be ungrateful not to acknowledge Karpov's greatness too.

The contrast, and the drama belonging to it, spread outwards from the chessboard. It belonged to the personalities of the players: Karpov slight, undemonstrative, correct; Kasparov powerfully built, histrionic, Armenian-Jewish from the fringe of the Soviet Union, an outsider in its citadel. The contrast extended to the representative characters of the two men. Karpov, ten years champion, was the favourite and patron of chess officialdom in the Soviet Union, a numerous and powerful body which the champion, who has wide powers of patronage, can shape to his own purposes to some degree. Karpov has also performed other honorific functions in the Soviet system.

Kasparov, the youngest world champion in the history of the title, is no less a party man, but he is a southerner, of a less deferential generation, possessing a spontaneity of stardom, with a touch of the Geldof about him. It would be fanciful to link his arrival in the throne room of chess with Mr Gorbachov's arrival at the top of the Politburo; but there is a reflection of the one in the other that takes in more than the southern coincidence. Generational changes are taking place that go beyond age to manners, style and outlook.

There is a hope, a possibility, that Kasparov with the newly acquired patronage of the champion at his disposal may be able to modify the outward bearing of Soviet chess more readily than Mr Gorbachov is able or inclined to change the outward bearing of the Soviet state. The influence of Russian chess in the International Federation of the game is great. The leadership of the federation has forfeited confidence by its management of the contest just ended, a view Kasparov can be expected to share. It is time that its president, Mr Florencio Campomanes, was himself successfully challenged for the title he holds.

Crisis in Africa

From Dr David Hulme

Sir, Professor Michael Beenstock's comments (feature, October 31) correctly identify the neglect of the agricultural sector by Sahelian governments as one of the major causes of the present crisis in Africa. He errs, however, in concluding that "instead of marching on Westminster to demand more aid we should be marching on the Sahelian embassies".

Demonstrating outside Sahelian embassies would be of little value. Whilst the governments of Sahelian nations may pay some attention to pressures exerted by the British Government they have minimal concern about public opinion in this country. It is by changing the policies of our own Government that concerned individuals can, perhaps, influence the governments of the Sahel.

The march on Westminster on October 22 was not merely about the quantity of British aid, but also about the quality of British aid. There is a great need for public pressure to be brought on our present Government to persuade it to redirect aid to the poorest nations, rather than those that are viewed as potential export markets, and to direct more aid towards agriculture, small farmers and food production, rather than steel plants, airports and electricity-generating facilities.

The linking of trade and aid by the Thatcher Government threatens to turn aid into subsidies for British engineering concerns. We may want to provide subsidies for such companies, but let us not pretend that it is development aid.

Sincerely,
DAVID HULME,
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Cambridge.
October 31.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Last-ditch appeal for Gartcosh

From the Convener of the Church and Nation Committee of the Church of Scotland

Sir, The Government's stand on its proposed closure of the Gartcosh steel cold-rolling mill in Lanarkshire was recently restated in the House of Commons by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry. I am writing, on behalf of the Church and Nation Committee of the Church of Scotland, to urge a change of mind.

It is not uncommon for special pleading to be heard when a closure is proposed. Some decry it as parochial, others as partisan. The Church of Scotland is the national Church in Scotland. Our plea is neither partisan nor parochial. It is voiced by every section of the Scottish community and by members of all political parties. We urge the Government to change its mind on Gartcosh. Our reasons are three.

First, Gartcosh, a finishing process for steel products from the neighbouring plant at Ravenscraig, has won export markets which will be lost if it is closed. As part of the Ravenscraig steel complex, its workers have won the right, since the Government decision of 1982 to retain five integrated steel-making plants in Britian, to keep their jobs. No one questions the enormous improvements in productivity made in Scottish steel-making since 1982: they have been widely applauded. But these plaudits will sound hollow indeed if Gartcosh is closed.

Secondly, the widely canvassed need to trim steel-making capacity in Britain to European limits should not impress the British Steel Corporation, since it has already gone further down that road than its European partners. They should be given time to catch up.

Thirdly, the corporation has stated that it would prefer to have four major plants working at 90 per cent capacity than five at 70 per cent. Our response is to point to the wisdom of maintaining all five at a lower pressure during the present period of recession, so that when the upturn comes we shall have the spare capacity to cope with its demands.

What we are seeing at Gartcosh is the familiar anatomy of closure. Create uncertainty over Scottish steel. Disturb its confidence. Then, when everyone's ratled, reassure Ravenscraig . . . but at the cost of Gartcosh, with the often repeated refrain that the demise of Gartcosh will not put Ravenscraig at risk. We, along with almost all Scottish opinion, remain unconvinced. Scotland needs all of Ravenscraig: Ravenscraig has all of Scotland behind it.

If all Scotland wants to retain Gartcosh, in order to secure the future both of Ravenscraig and of her manufacturing base, why is her voice unheeded? Because her case is not being heard in England. That is the reason for my letter. We are not seeking to undermine Welsh or English plants. We are asking for a vote of confidence in all five integrated plants, the vote of confidence which they all undoubtedly deserve.

Repentance is a Christian word: it means changing one's mind. It is not an ignoble act. We urge the Government to change its mind.

Yours faithfully,
MAXWELL CRAIG, Convener,
Committee on Church and Nation,
The Church of Scotland,
121 George Street,
Edinburgh.
November 8.

Towering threat to London scene

From Mr F. R. Furber and others

Sir, Much concern is being expressed about the proposal by the London Docklands Development Corporation for an enormous office development on the Isle of Dogs to be carried out by an international banking consortium.

Our concern is not about the overall size of the development; this could be a unique opportunity to regenerate London Docklands and create many new jobs; but the proposal involves four tower blocks up to 850ft high (250ft higher than the National Westminster tower).

These immensely high buildings would have an overpowering effect on the London skyline. They would dwarf the wonderful architecture of Wren, Vanbrugh, Hawksmoor and Inigo Jones, now the Royal Naval College and the National Maritime Museum, which have be described as "the finest group of buildings in Britain".

The celebrated view northwards from the heights of Greenwich Park, a favourite of artists for the last three hundred years, would, in our opinion, be irreparably damaged.

The proposal also involves an important point of principle. In the Greater London Development Plan areas sensitive to high buildings are categorised. The Isle of Dogs is particularly sensitive to the impact of high buildings and the criteria in the plan include the protection of famous or well-loved views. The view over the island and the Royal Naval College from Greenwich Park is demonstrably such a view.

Unfortunately, the London Docklands Development Corporation is both judge and jury in its own cause, being appointed planning authority over all properties vested in it and possessing virtually limitless powers over the Isle of Dogs "enterprise zone" within which the proposed development is situated.

It seems to us to be wholly wrong that, in the interests of expediency, the overriding planning powers vested in the corporation should be used to impose such a development on London without adequate consultation, expert appraisal or any regard to previously established planning criteria.

This surely was not the intention of the legislature in creating "urban development corporations" and "enterprise zones".

Only the Secretary of State for the Environment has the power to call this proposal in and hold a public inquiry. We urgently request him to do so.

Yours faithfully,
F. R. FURBER (Chairman,
Blackheath Society and Greenwich Conservation Group),
URSULA BOWYER (Chairman,
The Greenwich Society),
ANDREW BULLIVANT
(Woolwich and District Antiquarian Society),
M. P. KERNEY (Victorian Society),
ANNA TOWNEND (The Westcombe Society),
J. G. VAUGHAN (Shooters Hill Society),
RON WHITE (Normanhurst Park and Kidbrooke Manor Residents' Association),
c/o 8 Pond Road,
Blackheath, SE3.
November 9.

Museum charges

From Mr Edward Petherbridge

Sir, When Roy Strong and I appear together this Monday evening at the National Theatre, in a platform performance of readings from his book of *Times* pieces – "Strong Points" – there will be a compulsory admission charge of £2.

The excuse for this is that unlike, for instance, the Great Bed of Ware or the Raphael cartoons, neither Sir Roy nor I have been bequeathed to, or acquired for the nation.

As it happens we are both children of the mid-1930s. When I was an improvished youth in Bradford, I wandered frequently and freely into our two civic museums and felt always a certain civic pride that amongst the soot and muck and brass we possessed these two splendid and beautiful places.

I don't think I'd have gone quite so often had I been asked for a "voluntary contribution". In any case, the feel of the thing would have been different. That little hurdle would have lessened my curious sense of identification with Cartwright and Bolling halls: they were *ours*. Nor can I see how the contribution would have enchanced my appreciation in any way.

There need be no concern that public money is being squandered on Monday night's event. The standard actor's fee for preparing and giving a platform performance is covered by the sale of five and half seats. My only concern is that if the National Theatre makes a profit(!) someone might make a case for further erosion to the great principle of State subsidy for the arts!

Yours sincerely,
EDWARD PETHERBRIDGE,
National Theatre,
South Bank, SE1.
November 8.

From the Director of the Victoria & Albert Museum

Sir, Mr Medcalf's letter of November 5 brought back echoes of my own childhood when, as a schoolboy, I would set off for South Kensington, clutching my sandwiches, for a visit to the V&A. I, too, would have been discouraged by a compulsory entrance charge.

The concern for the fundamental educational purpose of the museum was very much in the minds of the board of trustees when they formulated the museum's voluntary donations scheme. The scheme itself is discretionary, but with our educational purpose in mind, children under 12, all school and prearranged student parties are exempt from any request to donate. Other student visitors are asked for a contribution of up to 50 pence – but even the smallest contribution will be welcomed.

Our message to the public is simply to give what you can. Your extra help will help us to give you a better museum.

It has been very encouraging during the scheme's first week of operation to see so many or our visitors contributing willingly. They clearly recognize our struggle and we will not betray their trust.

Yours faithfully,
ROY STRONG, Director,
Victoria & Albert Museum,
South Kensington, SW7.

Black economy

From Mr Eric Jamieson

Sir, The argument in Mr Mumby's letter (November 5) that revenue lost by tax evasion is eventually caught in one or more of the tax nets is false and dangerous. Dangerous because it may encourage the selfishness of tax evasion.

If we all pay the tax due from us then tax revenue will rise and current tax rates can be cut without the need for any reduction in Government expenditure. The money left in our pockets will then circulate and be netted in the various forms of tax.

The difference being that it is extra spending based on civilized behaviour rather than extra spending gained by a selfish minority at the expense of the more responsible citizen.

Yours truly,
ERIC JAMIESON,
26 Latchford Road,
Gayton,
Heswall,
Wirral.
November 5.

Blots on the landscape

From Mr Andrew Langton

Sir, The caption, "As pretty as a picture" (Special Report, "Beautiful Britain", November 5) for the photograph of Sampford Courtenay, the award-winning North Devon village, is somewhat incongruous. For if it were a picture, artistic licence would undoubtedly have been used to eliminate the truly hideous "wirescape" which abounds in the scene photographed.

Whenever possible the electricity boards and British Telecom must continue to play their part in "Keeping Britain tidy" by undergrounding their wires, particularly in rural villages and historic towns, where the impact is especially damaging to the local environment. Where such undergrounding is achieved, usually as a result of local pressure, the improvement is immediate and spectacular.

Even the householder can contribute to the success of such improvement schemes by banishing the ubiquitous television aerial from chimney stack to roof space.

Yours faithfully,
ANDREW LANGTON,
Willow Cottage,
Alderton,
Nr Tewkesbury,
Gloucestershire.
November 6.

Breakaway miners

From Dr Geoffrey Alderman

Sir, Mr Stuart Bell (October 29) declares that "It is true, of course, that the TUC has never recognized and will not recognize a breakaway union". He appears to have overlooked the recognition long since granted to the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers & Firemen.

Yours sincerely,
GEOFFREY ALDERMAN,
172 Colindeep Lane, NW9.
October 31.

Crossman at war

From Sir Hugh Greene

Sir, I was astonished to read in the *Times* Diary on November 5 about Sir John Colville's slur on Richard Crossman's courage. In suggesting that Crossman's involvement in anti-Nazi propaganda was a means of avoiding "active service" Sir John Colville seems to be forgetting that in the Second World War, unlike the first, one tended to be directed into the type of service in which one could be of most value to the war effort.

In the summer of 1940 I was in RAF intelligence, which I suppose Sir John Colville would regard as "active service". At any rate I was in close and regular contact with the enemy in the shape of members of the Luftwaffe, alive and dead.

I was then directed to take off my RAF uniform and join the BBC German Service, where I was one of Crossman's closest colleagues. It was thought by those in authority that, though I was no longer on "active service", my experience of Germany could be of most use in that position.

After the years during which I worked side by side with Crossman on what came to be known as psychological warfare I can say that he did infinitely more to help to win the war than he could have done on "active service".

Crossman has been criticised for many things but never for lack of courage. I hope that Sir John Colville and his publisher will now do the graceful thing and remove the offending footnote from any future edition of the book.

Yours faithfully,
HUGH GREENE,
Flat 7,
10 Palace Gate, W8.

Okehampton by-pass

From Mr O. B. Sayer

Sir, The Government's intention to introduce a confirming Bill to ensure that the Okehampton by-pass is routed south of the town strikes hard at the special parliamentary procedure, enshrined in the Acquisition of Land Act 1981, which was used successfully by a number of amenity societies to petition against the southern route.

They were able to bring their petition because this route involved the compulsory purchase of two areas of public open-space land (both happen to be in the Dartmoor National Park). After a 15-day hearing the joint parliamentary committee of three Lords and three MPs decided that the southern route should be rejected.

Although it is not acting unconstitutionally, no Government has ever before used the mechanism of a confirming Bill to overturn in its entirety the decision of a joint parliamentary committee on an issue of this kind. Perhaps this has been in recognition of the deep consideration given in such committees to such matters and because debate on such a Bill (the passage of which omits the normal committee stages) in the House can only be at a comparatively superficial level.

If this Bill is passed it will effectively deny the use of the special parliamentary procedure to conservation bodies and other small petitioners, particularly in cases where the Government itself is the developer.

No such organizations would be likely to use the procedure again for fear of the decision being overturned. The enormous cost to them of bringing a petition would not allow them to take that risk. So we would be left with the public inquiry process only, with no appeal mechanism against the decision taken by the minister of the day.

Public open spaces, not to mention national parks, will lose a precious ingredient of their protection and the democratic process will be significantly poorer. There is more than a touch of totalitarianism implicit in what the Government proposes to do.

Yours faithfully,
OLIVER SAYER,
Orchard House,
East Charleton,
Nr Kingsbridge,
South Devon.
November 5.

ON THIS DAY

NOVEMBER 11 1918

William II had reigned as German emperor since 1888. His abdication was the short prelude to the end of the Great War (now termed World War I) with an armistice which took effect from 11am on November 11, 1918. The Kaiser was granted asylum in Holland, where he died at Doorn in June 1941.

ABDICATION OF THE KAISER.

FLIGHT TO HOLLAND.

A SOCIALIST AS CHANCELLOR.

The following was transmitted on Saturday through the wireless stations of the German Government:–

The German Imperial Chancellor, Prince Max of Baden, has issued the following decree:–

The Kaiser and King has decided to renounce the Throne.

The Imperial Chancellor will remain in office until the questions connected with the abdication of the Kaiser, the renouncing by the Crown Prince of the Throne of the German Empire and of Prussia, and the setting up of a Regency have been settled. For the Regency he intends to appoint Deputy Ebert as Imperial Chancellor [our Hague Correspondent gives the foregoing sentence as, "He contemplates proposing to the Regent the appointment of Deputy Ebert as Chancellor"], and he proposes that a Bill should be brought in for the establishment of a law providing for the immediate promulgation of general suffrage, and for a constitutional German National Assembly which will settle finally the future form of Government of the German nation and of those people which might be desirous of coming within the Empire.

Berlin, November 9, 1918.
The Imperial Chancellor,
PRINCE MAX OF BADEN.

Yesterday the wireless stations of the German Government sent out the following news:–

Herr Ebert, the new Imperial Chancellor, has issued the following manifesto:–

GERMAN CITIZENS, FELLOW CITIZENS: Prince Max, the previous Imperial Chancellor, with the assent of the whole of the Secretaries of State, has handed over to me the business of the Imperial Chancellor. In accord with the parties, I am about to proceed with the formation of a new Government, and I shall shortly inform the public of the result. The new Government will be a people's Government. Its endeavour will be to bring peace to the German people as speedily as possible, and to strengthen the freedom which it has gained.

Fellow Citizens! I beg you all to accord me your support in the difficult task that awaits us. You are aware how seriously the war has menaced the food of the people, which is the first prerequisite of political life. The political revolution must not be allowed to disturb the feeding of the people. It must be the first duty of all in town and country not to impede, but to facilitate, the production of food supplies, and their import into the towns. Shortage of supplies means plunder and robbery, which results in misery to all. The poorest would suffer the most; the industrial workers would be the most severely affected. He who obstructs the food supplies and other necessaries or the requisite means of transport for their distribution, trespasses in the most serious manner against the whole community. Fellow Citizens! I urgently beg you all–leave the streets; preserve calm and order.

EBERT, Imperial Chancellor.
Berlin, November 9, 1918.
–*Admiralty, per Wireless Press.*

COPENHAGEN, Nov 10. – An official message from Berlin states that the Government has issued the following proclamation:–

"FELLOW CITIZENS: On this day the peoples have obtained their freedom. The Social Democratic Party has undertaken the Government and has invited the Independent Socialists to enter the Government with equal rights. The new Government will organize the election and constitution of a National Parliament."

The proclamation is signed by the new Chancellor, Herr Ebert, and by Herren Scheidemann and Landsberg.

Academic usage

From Professor P.M.W. Thody

Sir, Your leader writer of November 7 ("Campus cuts") is mistaken in his belief that F.M. Cornford's *Microcosmographia Academica* is out of print. It is still published by Bowes & Bowes and is as invaluable as ever.

I once stopped a posse of angry-eyed radical students dead in their tracks by telling them that one of their more absurd demands would "block the way for a far more sweeping reform".

Yours faithfully,
PHILIP THODY,
University of Leeds,
Department of French,
Leeds,
West Yorkshire.
November 7.

Airs in the underworld

From Dr O. E. Manasse

Sir, Our treatment of moles is in principle the same as Mr Kirkpatrick's (November 4). An empty winebottle is dug into the mole's run with the open end about an inch above the lawn. The wind blowing over the top of the bottle produces a noise, which is not appreciated by the mole.

Yours faithfully,
O. E. MANASSE,
Ashendon,
Aylesbury,
Buckinghamshire.
November 4.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
November 9: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, accompanied by The Prince Andrew and The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, were present this evening at the Royal British Legion Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall.

Mrs John Dugdale, Air Vice-Marshal Richard Peirse and Major Hugh Lindsay were in attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by Brigadier Clive Robertson, arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, this morning upon the conclusion of His Royal Highness's visit to Madagascar.

November 10: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, with The Prince Andrew, laid wreaths at the Cenotaph this morning on the occasion of Remembrance Day.

A wreath was laid at the Cenotaph on behalf of The Prince of Wales by Major Jack Stenhouse.

Major Hugh Lindsay, Squadron Leader Timothy Finneron and Wing Commander Adam Wise were in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE
November 9: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this evening at the Royal British Legion Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall.

Ruth, Lady Fermoy and Major Sir Ralph Anstruther, Bt were in attendance.

November 10: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this morning during the Ceremony at the Cenotaph on the occasion of Remembrance Day.

Ruth, Lady Fermoy was in attendance.

A wreath was laid on behalf of Her Majesty by Major Sir Ralph Anstruther, Bt.

KENSINGTON PALACE
November 9: The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were present at the Royal Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall this evening.

November 10: Princess Alice, Duches of Gloucester, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Anglian Regiment, was present this morning at a Remembrance Day Service in Lincoln Cathedral and afterwards took the Salute at a March Past of the 2nd and 7th Battalions of the Regiment. Her Royal Highness was later present at a Luncheon in celebration of the tercentenary of the raising of the Royal Lincolnshire Regiment.

Mrs Michael Harvey was in attendance.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were present this morning during the Ceremony at the Cenotaph on the occasion of Remembrance Day.

YORK HOUSE
November 9: The Duchess of Kent was present this evening at the Royal British Legion Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall.

Miss Sarah Partridge was in attendance.

November 10: The Duchess of Kent was present this morning during the Ceremony at the Cenotaph on the occasion of Remembrance Day. A wreath was laid on behalf of The Duke of Kent by Captain Charles Blount.

All tickets for the Queen Elizabeth's Foundation for the Disabled Guinness and Oyster Luncheon on December 4, at the Mansion House, have been sold. It is regretted that no further applications can be accepted.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr B. E. S. Cadbury and Miss K. M. Harrison-Hall
The engagement is announced between Benedict, elder son of Sir Adrian and Lady Cadbury, and Katharine, elder daughter of Judge and Mrs Michael Harrison-Hall.

Mr R. M. C. Birkett and Miss H. F. C. Bruce
The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of Mr and Mrs Michael J. Birkett, of Leatherhead, Surrey, and Helen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Melvin D. Bruce, of Kingswood, Surrey.

Lieutenant J. P. K. Goodwin, RN and Miss M. L. Higgs
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. E. Goodwin, of Newick, Sussex, and Marilyn, second daughter of Lieutenant-Commander D. A. J. Higgs, RCN, (retd), and Mrs A. G. Higgs, of Victoria, BC.

Mr D. W. Legg and Miss S. L. Cohen
The engagement is announced between David, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. Legg, of Northallerton, Yorkshire, and Susan, daughter of Professor and Mrs R. D. Cohen, of Beckenham, Kent.

Mr O. J. Morris and Miss H. Knighton
The engagement is announced between Octavius John, younger son of Mr Stephen Morris and the late Mrs Morris (Barbara E. Ward), of Marylebone, London, and Harriet, only daughter of Mr and Mrs William Knighton, of Blackheath, London.

The Rev D. L. Peyton Jones and Miss D. Everton-Jones
The engagement is announced between Donald L. Peyton Jones, DSC, of Fort Cottage, Cawsand, Cornwall, and Deborah Everton-Jones, of Peter Tavy, Tavistock, Devon.

Mr T. G. W. Best and Dr S. A. des Clers de Beaumets
The engagement is announced between Timothy, elder son of the late Mr Gerald Best and the late Mrs Joan Best, and Sophie, younger daughter of Baron Bertrand des Clers de Beaumets, of Paris, and Mme Maybelle Iribe, of San Francisco, and stepdaughter of Baronne des Clers de Beaumets.

Captain A. L. Welch and Miss A. A. Fairholme
The engagement is announced between Angus Leslie Welch, The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, son of Colonel C. E. Welch, CBE, MC (retd), and Mrs Welch, of Perth, Scotland, and Annabel, only daughter of Mr W. D. G. Fairholme, MBE, and Mrs Fairholme, of Hildenborough, Kent.

Mr P. J. Windsor and Miss C. A. Hogan
The engagement is announced between Paul Justin, second son of Mr and Mrs Desmond Windsor, of Shute, Devon, and Consuelo Araceli, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs B. J. Hogan, of Woldingham, Surrey.

Marriage

Mr J. C. W. Horlick and Miss F. R. McLaren
The marriage took place on Saturday in Wymondham Abbey, Norfolk, of Mr James Horlick, son of Sir John Horlick, Bt, and Lady Horlick, of Tournaig, Poolewe, Wester Ross, and Miss Fiona McLaren, eldest daughter of Mr Andrew McLaren, of Alcester, Warwickshire, and Mrs Harry Digby, of Madrid. The Rev Jonathan Riviere officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Jonathan and Oliver Carson, Edward Warner, Matilda Granville, Chloe Musker and Anastasia Cambitzi. Mr Simonn Bicket was best man.

A reception was held at Wilby Hall and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Birthdays today

Lord Carr of Hadley, 69; Rear-Admiral Sir Nigel Cecil, 60; Sir Frederick Dainton, 71; Sir Arthur Davies, 72; Mr Ron Greenwood, 64; Air Marshal Sir Donald Hall, 55; Sir Martin Jacomb, 56; Mr Roy Jenkins, MP, 65; Sir Harold Kent, QC, 82; Mr Rodney Marsh, 38; Professor G. A. G. Mitchell, 79; Sir Walter Oakeshott, 82; Dr Indraprasad Patel, 61; Sir Peter Shepheard, 72; Sir John Toothill, 77; General Sir Walter Walker, 73; Lord Wolfson, 58.

Royal College of General Practitioners

Professor V. W. M. Drury was elected President of the Royal College of General Practitioners at the college's annual meeting on Saturday. He succeeds Dr J. A. R. Lawson.

Judge retires

Judge Chope has retired from the circuit bench on the Western Circuit.

23 RN/5 RAF Pilots' Course

Naval and air force members of 23 RN/5 SEG Pilots' Course dined at the RN Air Station Yeovilton on Saturday, November 2. Rear-Admiral Godfrey Place, VC, presided.

Latest wills

Miss Olga Tufnell, of Kensington, London, the Egyptologist and archaeologist of Palestine, left estate valued at £99,669 net.

Mr Ronald Leslie Pearson, of Doncaster, former director of Armthorpe Motor Co, left £938,063 net.

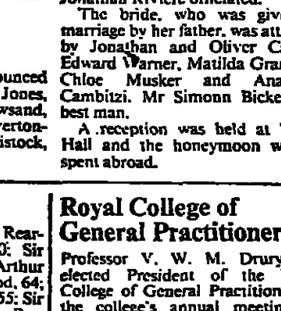
NEXT TIME THE WAITER LOOMS behind you at the Banquet, and murmurs *"Brandy or liqueurs with the coffee?"* why not give him something of a challenge?

The fact is, there's a third option. It is called The Macallan Single Highland Malt Whisky.

For a start, it is probably older than the brandy he is offering. It will have been aged in oaken sherry-casks for at least ten years.

It will, in short, be the nearest thing to perfection that your waiter has ever wheedled out of the Sommelier's special reserve. But it is worth his trouble and yours.

Indeed, the story goes that when Nikita Kruschev and Nikolai Bulganin attended Dinner in their honour at the Mansion House, they were so overwhelmed with pleasure at their introduction to The Macallan, that they beamed as they raised their glasses and said: *"Neat! Neat!"*



It was the capitalist beginning of the end for the bearish Nikita, but it could be the start of something wonderfully bullish for you.

THE MACALLAN. THE MALT.

Clifford Longley

Hume rallies progressive cause

Cardinal Basil Hume was criticized by the religious affairs correspondent of *La Monde* about five years ago for not exercising the influence he could. As a result the "conservative" forces in the Roman Catholic Church were having it all their own way. It seems this criticism has now been resoundingly contradicted.

The Archbishop of Westminster has emerged as a key figure. He has steadied the church at a critical moment by exercising his international reputation, and his presidency of the European Council of Bishops' Conferences, in support of the progressive principles of the Second Vatican Council. It is now unlikely that the forthcoming international synod in Rome, called to review the council after 20 years, will mark a turning of the tide as some conservative church leaders had hoped. The notion that the church was in crisis, that the developments since the council had to be reversed, has not gained ground: Cardinal Hume's more confident appraisal has done so instead.

When he heard a year ago that the Pope had called a special synod he regarded it as more a celebration than an occasion for policy making. Clearly something persuaded him that this view was too sanguine as the months passed: perhaps it was a mood of retrenchment in Roman circles, or perhaps the alarmed reaction of many theologians to a famous interview given by Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, who called for a "restoration".

So at various national and international meetings Cardinal Hume gathered together a consensus of feeling among senior churchmen. It was done by influence rather than by power. He appears to have achieved a change of mood.

Under his presidency the Catholic bishops of England and Wales issued an early statement on the synod. It was somewhat critical of some aspects of the Vatican's administration of the church's affairs, and that stole the headlines. But it was also a reasoned defence of allowing the church to continue to evolve at it has been doing. It said, in short, that the Second Vatican Council was beginning to "work".

The English statement, because Cardinal Hume's name was associated with it, became something of a rallying point for conferences of bishops elsewhere in the world. It gave him, also a firm base for his personal initiatives in Rome and in Europe. Last month's symposium of European bishops in Rome, over which the cardinal presided, saw his interpretation of the state of the church adopted generally as the correct one. And so the extraordinary synod can go back to being a celebration.

What never happened, and what he would have avoided at all costs, was a direct conflict with the Vatican, particularly between himself and the Pope. Cardinal Hume is not a "Gallican", one who holds the belief that the Pope has power only by the consent of the church. He emphasizes the "high" view of the papacy in certain passages of the Second Vatican Council, and has referred to the First Vatican Council, which defined papal infallibility in 1870. It was as if to say that not only conservatives are true to that tradition. Those utterly committed to the way Catholicism is developing are true to it too. Thus he would not let *The Times* get away with saying in a leading article, that the Catholic Church was still too "papal". In Cardinal Hume's theology of the church the papacy is essential, as he asserted in his reply. He is known to have misgivings about some ecumenical attempts to write down the papacy, to make it more acceptable to other churches, particularly Anglicans.

Two expressions encapsulate where he stands. He has taken to referring to bishops, when he addresses their gatherings, as "vicars of Christ". That deliberate broadening of a usage which was once reserved for the Pope implies a higher status for bishops. It might imply a lower status for the Pope, had he not also taken to referring to him as "Peter", the first of the apostles and prototype of the papal office.

Both those terms are authentic Second Vatican Council material; and they point to a certain kind of relationship between the Pope and the bishops that the cardinal calls "koinonia", a conscious borrowing from the theology of the Anglican-Roman Catholic conversations. It is, as he said himself last week, a difficult word to explain, meaning more than "community" or "fellowship". It is better demonstrated than defined. One reading of Cardinal Hume's recent involvement in shaping the future of the Roman Catholic Church is that it was "koinonia" in action. Whether it works, events are shortly to show: the international synod starts on November 25.



A celebratory drink for the Queen's head coachman, Mr Arthur Showell, on his birthday as a final adjustment was made to his cape before the Lord Mayor's show on Saturday (Photograph: Michael Ward).

Dinner

St Edward's School Society
The annual Oxford dinner of the St Edward's School Society was held at the Moat House Hotel on Saturday. The Right Rev J. P. Burrough, president of the society, was in the chair. The principal guest was the warden, Mr J. C. Phillips.

Service dinners

The Light Infantry
The officers' mess of the 7th Battalion of the Light Infantry held a regimental guest night in Durham on Saturday. The guests included the Bishop of Jarrow, the GOC North-east District and Commander of the 2nd Infantry Division, the High Sheriff of Durham, and the Mayor of Sunderland.

The Queen's Own Warwickshire and Worcestershire Yeomanry
The annual dinner of The Queen's Own Warwickshire and Worcestershire Yeomanry took place in Leamington Spa on Saturday. The president of the regimental Association, Lieutenant Colonel Michael Verey, presided.

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy
REAR-ADMIRALS: G A F Hitchens to be Director Gen Ship Refitting, Nov 5.
CAPTAINS: A P Hoddinott to UKMILREP Brussels as Chief of Staff, March 7 (in rank of cdre, Feb 25, and whilst R M Lawson as DA and NA Canberra, Dec 13 (in rank of cdre while).
COMMANDERS: P G Blanchford to Cincfleet, April 22; M J D Brougham to Seafin, April 11; A J Y Eddison to MoD (London), Nov 12; S W Graham to Royal Arthur in Cmd, April 24; B Hulme to Neptune, Jan 10; J M Stock as NA Cairo, Dec 13.
SURGEON COMMANDERS (D): B J Griffiths to Sultan, March 21; J Hargraves to Illustrious, Feb 4; W R Lock to Drake, Feb 18.

The Army
Lieutenant-General Sir Geoffrey Howlett to be Commander in Chief Allied Forces Northern Europe in the rank of general in February, in succession to General Sir Richard Lawson.
Major-General P A Inge to be Director General Logistic Policy (Army) Ministry of Defence in February, in succession to Major-General B W Davis.
Major-General Sir David Thorne to be Director of Infantry in February in succession to Major-General G T Shortis.
Major-General Michael Matthews, Honorary Colonel 151 Commando Forward Support Regiment RE(V) TA, Honorary Colonel Southampton University Officers Training Corps TA, to be Colonel Commandant Corps of Royal Engineers in succession to Major-General John Humphrey Page, whose tenure has expired.
COLONEL: A P Sims to HQ Nato, Nov 20.
LIEUTENANT-COLONELS: D S Balmain, 16/19H, to be CO 16/19H, Nov 11; P J R Brown, R Signals, to LSP Saudi Arabia, Nov 13; F A Rich, RCT, to HQ 1 (BR) Corps, Nov 12; C J B Copeland, RA, to HQ 1 (BR) Corps, Nov 11; R A Draper, LI, to HQ 2 Inf Div, Nov 11; H G Hesp, RAOC, to DLSA, Nov 11; T J Nicholson, DWR, to BMATT Zimbabwe, Nov 15; R W L Wright, RA, to be MA Stockholm, Nov 18; N M G Beard, RCT, to be CO 3 Armed Div Tpt Regt, Nov 11; R W Stark, R Signals, to DOGWL, Nov 11.

Royal Air Force
AIR COMMODORES: I F Bean to be Director of Personnel Management (ADP) (RAF) in succession to Air Commodore D J Crompton, Nov 18; J F Willis to be Chief of Special Weapons Branch, Policy Division, Shape, in succession to Air Commodore M J Pilkington, Nov 15.
GROUP CAPTAINS: G J Coleman to Cabinet Office Advisory, Nov 18; D F L Edwards to RAF Lyneham as Stn Cdr, Nov 18; T Garden to RAF Odiham as Stn Cdr, Nov 18; A Salter to Quito as Def Attaché, Nov 18.
WING COMMANDERS: M D Jones to Exch, US, Nov 11; A J Berry to HQSTC, Nov 12; D P Pedder to Berlin, Nov 12; N J Sudborough to RAF Coningsby, Nov 18; D F A Henderson to HQ RAFG, Nov 18; S D A Murphy to RAF Abingdon, Nov 6; M G Pearce to RAF Brize Norton, Nov 11; R W Jones to RAF Innsworth, Nov 13.
SQUADRON LEADER: W J Bevan to SCEA Eltham, Nov 11.

Parliament this week

Commons. Today (2.30): Continuation of debate on the Queen's Speech (Social security and education).
Tomorrow (2.30): Continuation of debate on the Queen's Speech (industry and employment).
Wednesday (2.30): Conclusion of debate on the Queen's Speech (The economy).
Thursday (2.30): Debate on EEC draft budgets for 1985 and 1986.
Friday (9.30): Debate on road safety.
Select committees. Tomorrow: Education, Science and Arts, Subject: Achievement in primary schools. Witness: National Confederation of Parent Teachers Associations (11.15).
Parliamentary commissioner for administration. Subject: Local government cases: remedies and jurisdiction. Witnesses: Mr William Waldegrave, Minister for State, Environment, and officials from Department of Environment and Welsh Office (4.30).
Wednesday: Foreign affairs. Subject: UK-Soviet relations. Witnesses: Rev Michael Bourdeaux, General Director, Keston College (10.30); British Council of Churches (11.30).
Scottish affairs. Subject: The proposed closure of Gartcosh rolling mill. Witness: Mr Peter Morrison, Minister of State, Industry (10.30).
Defence. Subject: Future of the Royal Dockyards. Witnesses: Officials of Ministry of Defence (10.30).
Transport. Subject: Channel fixed link. Witnesses: Feltolink (4.15); Eurobridge (5).
Environment. Subject: Acid rain. Witnesses: Mr William Waldegrave, Minister for Environment, and Mr Alastair Goodlad, Under Secretary, Energy (4.30).
Public accounts. Subjects: Vocational education and training. Witness: Manpower services commission (4.45).
Foreign Affairs. Subject: UK-Soviet relations. Witnesses: British National Association of Soviet and East European Studies (5); GB-USSR Association (5.30).
Thursday: Agriculture. Subject: Disposal and storage of cereal surpluses. Witness: UK agricultural supplies trade association (10.45).
Transport. Subject: Channel fixed link. Witnesses: Channel Expressway (4.15); Channel Tunnel Group (5).
Lords. Tomorrow (2.30): Continuation of debate on the Queen's Speech (Home and environmental affairs).
Wednesday (2.30): Conclusion of debate on the Queen's Speech (Economic, employment and industrial affairs).
Thursday (3): Debate on economic and social consequences of the new technologies.
Select committees. Tomorrow: EEC subcommittee G (Environment). Evidence on the disposal of waste oils (10.45).
Wednesday: EEC subcommittee D (Agriculture, Food and Consumer Affairs). Evidence on examination of animals and fresh meat for the presence of residues (10.40).
EEC subcommittee B (External Relations, Trade and Industry). Evidence on maritime transport policy (10.30).
EEC subcommittee A (Finance, Economics and Regional Policy). Evidence on indirect taxation and the internal market (5.30).
Science and Technology subcommittee II (Marine). Evidence from chief scientific adviser, Cabinet Office (5).

Science report

Seeds extract could kill parasites

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

A small tree with a bloom like a purple laburnum is the source of a newly discovered substance that kills slugs and snails.

Tests in the biology department at King's College London, where the extract was isolated, show that the molecule could control the spread of the parasite causing the disease bilharzia, which is endemic throughout Africa, Asia, parts of China and Japan, the West Indies and South America.

The British gardener would also benefit, because it would get rid of the common snails and slugs which spoil his crops and flowers. But the original target of the research was the mollusc that spreads the bilharzia parasite in canals and waterways.

The King's College team, working with two zoologists, Dr Philip Whitfield and Dr Nigel Evans, moves to Cairo at the beginning of next year for field trials. Arrangements by collaborators at the Ain Shams University in Cairo include the controlled study of the material spread in waterways specially used.

Laboratory results show that a concentration of less than half of one part in a million in water kills the larvae of the parasite, which is the stage at which the skin is penetrated to infect people. Drugs are available for treatment but they are expensive and there is nothing to stop re-infection.

Concentrations of five parts per million in bait or water kills the snails. Brown seeds that look like small coffee beans provide the source of the pesticide. The active ingredient belongs to a family of natural chemicals called isoflavonoids.

The seeds come from the blossom of a variety of *Milletia*, a tree which grows as a common plant in West Africa. Preparation of the molluscide is simple. The material consists of a finely-ground mixture of the seeds.

Indentification of the isoflavonoids is a successful collaborative venture between King's College and the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew. It follows an offer by Professor Arthur Bell, director of Kew, to co-operate in the screening of the garden's plant material for useful substances.

The new agent should provide a good alternative to the synthetic, and more expensive, pesticides.

Sale room

£157,500 for sculpture of archbishop

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Eighteenth-century British sculpture moved into a new price bracket on Saturday when a plaster model by Joseph Wilton of John Tillotson, Archbishop of Canterbury, was sold for £157,500 at the big autumn sale held by Tennant's of Yorkshire.

The main demand in the eighteenth-century was for portrait sculptures and ornamental embellishments to architecture. Wilton, although not quite in the class of Roubilliac, was one of the best providers, being appointed "Statuary to the King and Keeper of His Majesty's Royal Academy in London", as he himself boasts in a dedicatory inscription.

Tennant's had started with an estimate of £5,000 to £8,000 on the sculpture, which is just over 3ft high and is contained in a handsome pine alcove which was designed by Wilton to display it.

His dedication of the piece to George Stansfield is inscribed on a panel below the figure. George Stansfield, we are told, commissioned the marble statue of Tillotson for Sowerby church.

It came to Tennant's with the furnishings of Field House, near Sowerby Bridge, a handsome eighteenth-century pile erected by Stansfield, a wealthy wool merchant.

After researching the career of Archbishop Tillotson, the auctioneers revised their valuation upwards, according to Mr Rodney Tennant. They had begun to hope for about £30,000 to £40,000, but never imagined it would go as high as it did.

The archbishop is depicted in flowing robes beside a pillar, on which he rests a book. The model was clearly worked entirely by Wilton; from the back, you can see how he built up the plaster, leaving his own fingerprints.

The final marble, still in Sowerby church, would have been largely carved by assistants from the original model. The verger had opened the church to an unusual succession of visitors over the previous week; they included some of the world's leading dealers and an Austrian prince.

The prince was the under-bidder on the model; the successful bidder was acting for an unknown client.

Another of George Stansfield's purchasers was a pair of 6ft giltwood mirrors, combining scroll work, urns and shell motifs, which went for £48,300 (estimate £10,000 to £15,000). They are rare transitional pieces, containing elements of rococo and the succeeding neo-classical style.

As Chippendale is recorded as having worked at Field House, the purchaser may have hopes of proving a connection.

The other rarity of the sale was a Nuremberg faience jug, finely painted in about 1680, with a landscape enclosed in a floral border by the *Hausmaler* (or outside decorator) Wolf Rossler. Of extreme rarity in the history of German faience, Tennant's had found it sitting quite unrecognized in one of the bedrooms. It was bought by a German dealer for £21,525 (estimate £2,000 to 4,000).

The remaining contents of Field House had been consigned to Tennant's by Martin Stansfield, the last of the line, who used to run Sotheby's public relations department in New York. "I have always had the theory that small auctioneers would try harder", he said

OBITUARY

PROF ALEXANDER THOM

Scientist and archaeologist

Professor Alexander Thom, who died on November 7, aged 91, was Professor of Engineering Science at Oxford from 1945 to 1961, and in his spare time a considerable authority on the archaeology of megalithic sites in Britain.

Born in Argyllshire on March 26, 1894, he graduated in Engineering at Glasgow University in 1915. He started work as a draughtsman in civil engineering firms and later in the field of aeronautical engineering.

In 1921 he returned to Glasgow University as a lecturer in Civil and Structural Engineering and in Aeronautics, and began publishing scientific papers, chiefly in the field of aerodynamics but also in astronomy, civil engineering, and elastic stress analysis. In 1928 he published a paper describing a numerical method for solving partial differential equations, which was the forerunner of much later work.

Thom left Glasgow in 1938 to work on defence preparations being undertaken at the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough, distinguishing himself during the war in the design and operation of wind tunnels, and showing an increasing capacity for intense intellectual effort and self-forgetting hard work.

In 1945 he was elected to the Chair of Engineering Science at Oxford, and became a Fellow of Brasenose College. He held the post until 1961, during which period his department grew from a tiny group to a flourishing organization comprising an academic staff of 15 and more than 150 undergraduates and research students.

While believing that his primary responsibility was teaching undergraduates, Thom maintained the research work of his department at as high a level as possible. He continued work on the development and application of numerical methods of analysis to the mathematics of fluid flow.

This culminated in the publication in 1961 of *Field Computation in Engineering and Physics*, written in collaboration with C. J. Apelt, a former student of his. He also analysed in depth the results of his extensive observations of prehistoric stone circles – measurements mostly made during summer vacations sailing in his yacht off the west coast of Scotland.

He reported this work in a paper read to the Royal Statistical Society in 1955, it illustrated his wide range of learning which enabled him to undertake work requiring a knowledge of archaeology, astronomy and statistics.

On retirement he devoted himself to archaeology, making noteworthy contributions. In his studies of the layout and possible astronomical function of the numerous prehistoric stone circles and related alignments in Britain, he showed that many were laid out to precise designs, and that many appeared to have been aligned on significant risings and settings of, variously, the sun, moon and first order stars.

In acknowledging this contribution, many archaeologists still dispute other important claims by Thom, for example that layout was achieved with a proto-Pythagorean geometry and a fixed unit of measurement (the "megalithic yards").

He published *Megalithic Sites in Britain* in 1967, *Megalithic Lunar Observatories* (1971), *Megalithic Remains in Britain and Brittany* (with A. S. Thom, 1978) and *Megalithic Rings* (1980). In 1960 he was awarded the honorary degree of LLD by his old university, Glasgow, and in 1976 he was similarly honoured by Strathclyde University.

He married in 1917 Jeanie Boyd Kirkwood who died in 1975. They had two sons, one of whom died in 1945, and a daughter.

COL D. R. OAKLEY-HILL

H. H. writes:

Colonel D. R. Oakley-Hill, who has died in London at the age of 87, was perhaps the last survivor of the group of British officers who, under the late General Percy, organized the Albanian gendarmerie in the late 1920s.

It was King Zog's idea to have a British-organized gendarmerie in order to give him some room for manoeuvre under the various pressures to which his regime was subjected, particularly from Fascist Italy. And with no axe of their own to grind, the officers chosen were able to associate themselves with the aspirations of a nascent Albanian nationhood.

Davrell Oakley-Hill was outstanding in this way. He learnt to speak Albanian fluently, and his evident knowledge and disinterestedness helped in the difficult task of introducing the idea of impartial law among the mountaineers long wedded to rougher tribal patterns of justice.

As if this were not enough, he initiated the country's first tourist organization, realizing what untapped wealth lay for the Albanians in their spectacular scenery. And during his first wife's lifetime, he and she set up the equivalent of an Albanian RSPCA.

During the last war he was involved in organizing resistance to the Italian occupiers by the Kosovar Albanians of Yugoslavia, but he was captured by the Germans and made a prisoner of war. On his release he led the UNRRA mission to Tirana, and signed with Enver Hoxha the agreement under which relief aid was sent to a devastated Albania.

He later became chairman of the Anglo-Albanian Association, a body founded after the first war by supporters of Albanian independence and territorial integrity. His experience and the warmth of his temperament enabled him to give crucial help to exiles and refugees from the Hoxha regime in their various problems of survival in an unfamiliar society.

By them, as indeed by all his friends and colleagues, he was regarded with deep affection. His modesty, loyalty and warmheartedness were unfailing.

He is survived by his second wife, Ruby, and their son and daughter, and by one son of his first marriage.

DR FRIEDRICH WAHLEN

Dr Friedrich Traugott Wahlen, who died in Berne on November 7 at the age of 86, was a leading figure in Swiss politics who served as President in 1961 and was the Federal Councillor responsible for foreign affairs from 1961 to 1965.

He was perhaps best known, however, for organizing what became known as the Wahlen Plan during the Second World War, designed to assure Switzerland's food supplies.

Wahlen was born in the village of Gmeis in Emmental, in the canton of Berne, on April 10, 1899. After education at the Institute of Technology in Zurich, he became interested in agricultural research and spent seven years from 1922 to 1929 working in laboratories in Canada. On his return to Switzerland he became director of an experimental station.

After the war he spent several years with the Food and Agriculture Organization in Rome, becoming Deputy Director-General. He then, to the surprise of some, entered Swiss politics and was elected a member of the Federal Council.

He was successively in charge of the ministries of Justice, Economy and Foreign Affairs before retiring in 1965.

MR WALTER SEGAL

Peter Blundell Jones writes:

Your obituary of November 2 scarcely does Walter Segal justice, for it fails to mention the crowning achievement of his later years: the series of self-build housing schemes in Lewisham. Here his lifelong interest in the nuts and bolts of construction found its vindication, for he developed an intermediate technology of building using modern components which is both extraordinarily economical and allows assembly by non-professionals.

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Face of financial fashion



Brian Winterflood: A broader based market will have a balancing effect, which will aid public understanding

The Unlisted Securities Market can never stand accused of being out of step with the times. Its short life has *mirrored the financial fashions of the day*. But as investors have found, fashions come and go – sometimes expensively.

In the early days the USM became closely associated with emerging oil companies keen to raise funds for exploration projects. Then it gave way to boffins with their computer and electronic firms. And now the latest fad is in so-called "people businesses", such as advertising, marketing and public relations. The huge takeover activity in the City in the past couple of years has provided a windfall for those acting as advisors on the inside track of major bids.

But there has been a steady stream of less prominent and less glamorous businesses, such as metal bashers and printing firms, a maker of remould tyres, a firm producing door knobs, and an importer of canned fruit.

The drift away from oil and high technology has helped the USM become a slightly less volatile and more broader-based market. Brian Winterflood, of stock jobbers Bisgood Bishop, points out: "I think the difference is that people feel they can more easily understand the sort of companies coming to the market. It will have a lot more balance."

It is a measure of the USM's maturity that it was able to recover from the blow of seeing the collapse of *Acorn Computers*, once its biggest company valued at £217 million. When dealings were suspended, pending a rescue by Olivetti, the Italian giant, it was worth just £10 million.

The USM has underperformed the main market this year by about 5 per cent, which is respectable given the impact of the Acorn collapse on the electronics sector. From representing 18 per cent of the total market capitalisation a year ago the sector has dropped to 9 per cent. Electronics, with oil, still stand out as the prominent features of the market.

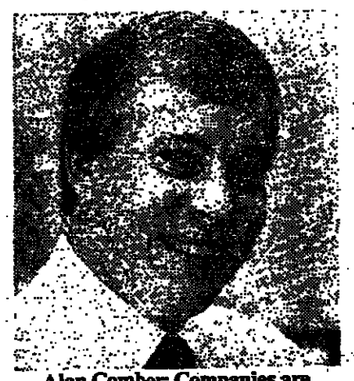
But if the kind of company coming to the market has changed, so too has the attitude towards the pricing of the shares. The USM is now much less tolerant of fancy prices.

Alan Comber, of accountants Peat Marwick who have been involved in more than 60 flotations, says people are now much more discriminatory. "I think a much closer examination of companies coming to the market is being made. The companies, too, are having to come to terms with more realistic price multiples. Instead of multiples of 30 they are now settling for 15 to 20."

This view is shared by Mr Winterflood. "I think the feeling now is that it does not matter too much what a company does so much as whether it is pricing itself realistically."

One sign of the USM's growing maturity is the interest being shown by overseas companies needing to raise funds. There are now seven US companies on the USM – with many others eager to join.

The Americans like the market because they say it offers a much cheaper and quicker method of obtaining a listing than at home.



Alan Comber: Companies are coming for closer examination

A US company waiting to raise £3 million could expect to pay £300,000 for a listing that might take four months by coming to London. The same company might wait three months longer and have to pay £200,000 more in the US.

But there has been some concern expressed that the overseas recruits are coming to London.

This is likely to place greater responsibility on the issuing houses in London to make sure buyers are not misled.

Just as the market has fallen out of favour in its time with oil stocks and electronics, the ever changing investment scene has also thrown up doubts about the wisdom of buying shares in the glamorous area of marketing and public relations.

The feeling is that the people who represent the only assets of the business can very easily decide to take their talents elsewhere with devastating effects on the share price.

As the market endeavours to iron out these uncertainties the mood of the market suggests the more favoured entrants will tend to be in the home-grown areas of financial services, catering, and industrials.

Cliff Feltham

The market where firms are quick to foot the bill

The low cost of entering the USM is one of the major factors behind its success. At first professional advisers wanted to win new business so fees were kept down. Though still a competitive area, these are now creeping up.

Companies joining the main market have to pay for their prospectus to be advertised in two national newspapers. Their fortunate counterparts on the USM only have to put a small box in one paper, giving rise to a substantial cost saving.

Interestingly, one of the most recent arrivals, Magnetic Materials, has chosen to advertise its full prospectus, but most entrants take advantage of the rule.

Even without this cost companies find the bill typically mounts to £200,000 or so. According to Peat Marwick, the accountants, it cost Eldridge Pope and Fuller Smith & Turner, two brewers, only £3,000 to join the USM by introductions.

At the other end of the scale, Synterials, a company with a researched project but no trading record, which raised £20 million, spent £1.5 million on the exercise.

With fewer companies coming to the market by way of introduction, the average costs of entry are rising. Placings, the most common means of entry, tend to cost less than £200,000 and offers for sale nearer £350,000.

The difference reflects the need for underwriting, usually 1.25 per cent of the money raised in an offer for sale.

In each case the costs include accountants' and solicitors' fees. Companies new to the City may be surprised by how much all these various bodies charge for their time but they are also often unaware how much of their own management time will be taken up. If this were costed out the exercise would look fairly frightening.

One of the main determinants of cost is the choice of advisers. The better the name the more expensive it will be but then the float might just go that much better and so make the extra expense worthwhile.

The first professional to get involved is usually the accountant. A local firm responsible for a company's audit and tax is not usually up to the job of preparing a long form report and dealing with other advisers in the City. So many companies joining the USM bring in a large firm for the issue.

Peat Marwick has acted as reporting accountants to 63 new entrants, Arthur Andersen to 33 and Touche Ross and Deloitte Haskins & Sells to 32 each.

All the big firms have experienced in this area and many less well known names have also been involved.

At a slightly later stage companies appoint solicitors and similar considerations apply here. Herbert Smith, Clifford Turner and Nabarro Nathanson are the three leading firms in this field. Eleven firms account for more than half the work.

Stockbrokers become involved at varying stages. Phillips & Drew, for example, like to meet companies 18 months to two years before the planned launch. But usually work does not start until later. In theory the better the name the longer the investigation.

Retailers may be more highly valued

Phillips & Drew holds the number one spot for stockbrokers to USM entrants, with Simon & Coates a close second and Capel Cure Myers and Laing & Cruickshank in third and fourth places respectively.

These rankings are taken from Peat Marwick's USM quarterly survey for September 1985.

In most cases the brokers act as sponsor so giving rise to a saving on fees. Simon & Coates has been the most active sponsor even though it is a broker and not a bank.

Of the merchant banks, County Bank seems to be the most closely involved, with Hambro close behind.

Doubling up can make entry to the USM an expensive process. Aspinall Holdings, the gaming club which joined the USM in 1983, incurred costs of £850,000.

It is no coincidence that it used the services of two brokers, Kitcat & Aitken and Raphael Zorn, two firms of accountants, Touche Ross and Price Waterhouse, and three firms of solicitors.

Another reason for higher than normal costs is where the advisers have to travel, say, across the Atlantic. American Electronic Components, a company based in Indiana, which joined the USM earlier this year, found it was faced with a bill of £400,000.

Retailers may be more highly valued by the market but the flotation might cost them more than for an engineer.

Public relations companies, which tend to start work some two months or so before the launch, believe fewer journalists are interested in traditional manufacturers than in consumer product companies so they organize a smaller press conference, fewer press releases and give less time.

Many companies are surprised by how much the professionals know about their business, however technical. Brokers will have researched the industry thoroughly if they do not already know it well. This knowledge is essential for pricing an issue.

Are the costs worth while? Barry Dargan of Phillips & Drew points out that the launch expenditure is a one-off outgoing while the company has a continuing benefit from cheap money, with dividends yields running at substantially less than interest rates on bank borrowings.

And there is always the opportunity of going back to shareholders for more cash in a rights issue or for making an acquisition with a placing of shares.

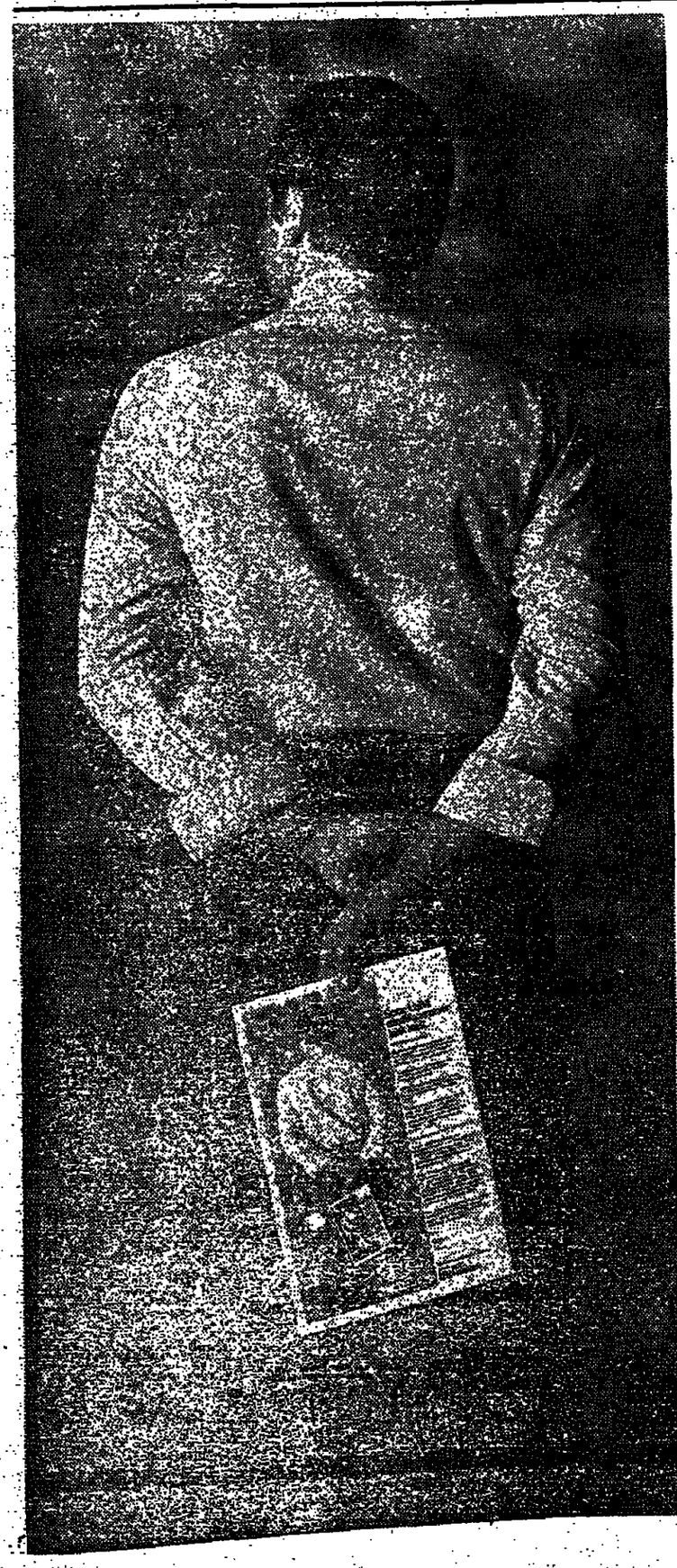
In the six months to June there were 13 rights issues on the USM, according to Touche Ross.

As the companies coming to the USM are increasingly sophisticated and getting larger costs are becoming less of a factor.

For companies who intend to be active in the market in terms of acquisitions or to move to the main market it is as well to start life on the USM with the advisers who are going to be able to provide services later.

For others the cheaper and less well known names may be attractive, especially if they already know the company well.

Clare Dobie



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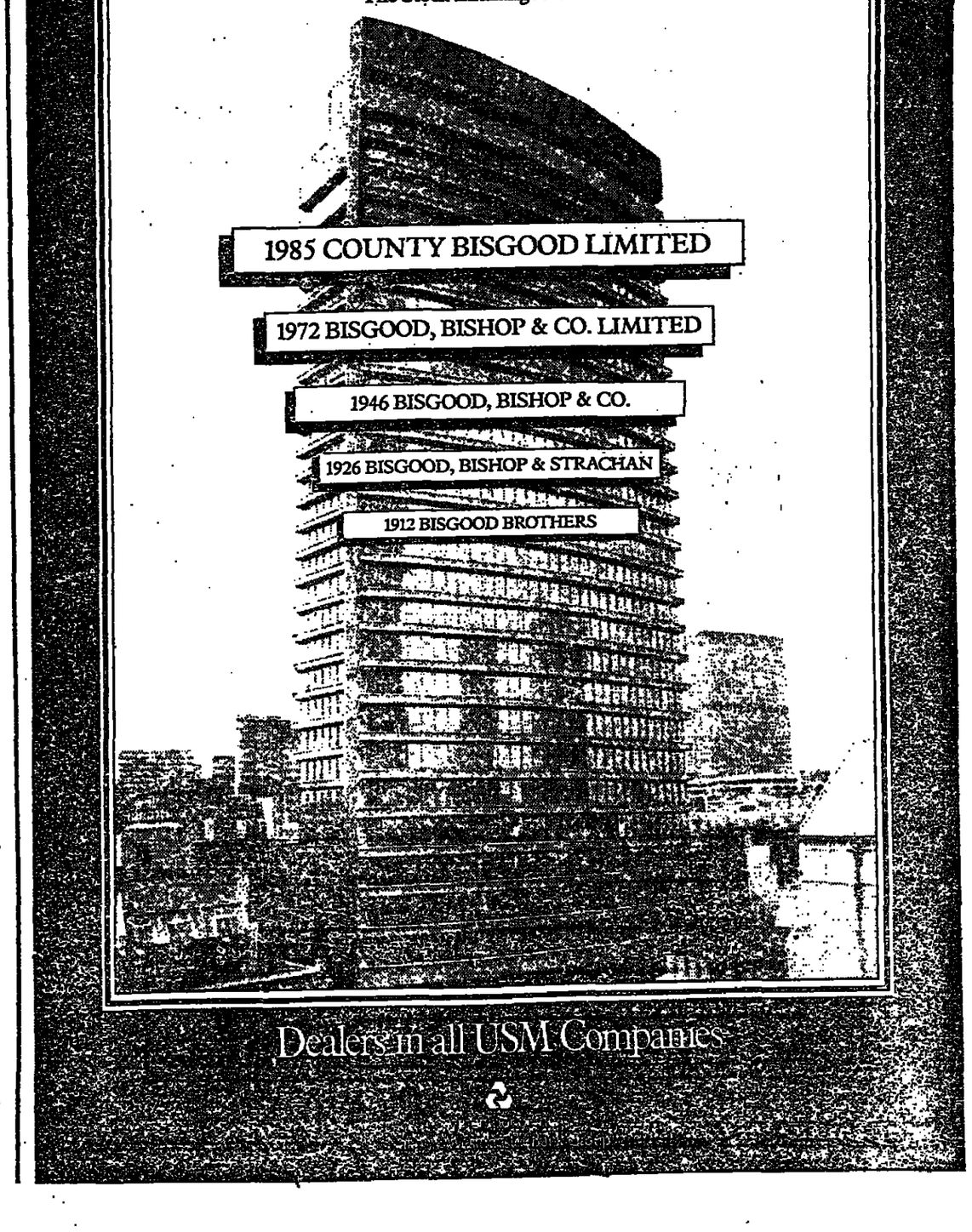
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Why paper riches are hard to realise for these 431 successes

The men who became the new millionaires

The USM has created 431 paper millionaires in its five year history, according to accountants Touche Ross.

The figure comes from statistics taken at the time a company comes to market and is based either on the offer on placing price or on the price at the close of the first day's trading, if the company comes by way of an introduction.

More millionaires have, therefore, been created after floating their companies, when the share price has moved up sufficiently to push their holdings into the £1 million plus category. Millionaires have also been unmade, sometimes swiftly, by the plunge of shares on the stock market when a company runs into problems.

The drawback to being a paper millionaire is that actual cash is hard to realise, after a company is floated, because a director who sells shares in his own company is always viewed with intense suspicion. Many entrepreneurs take advantage of coming to the market to relieve themselves of the pressure of bank overdrafts or second mortgages by selling shares to the public or institutions.

About £294 million has been taken out by existing shareholders, when companies came to market, against £466 million new money raised to plough back into the companies.

The entrepreneurs turned millionaires are, in the main, an energetic lot with commitment to their companies which has, if anything, increased rather than lessened with the public quote.

Reg Valin, chairman and joint founder of public relations consultancy Valin Pollen, says his committment is as strong as it has ever been. He is at his desk at 7.45 am, works 12 hours a day and sometimes weekends.

The company was founded in 1979 by Mr Valin and Richard Pollen, after they left well-established Charles Barker, where they both held top jobs. It has achieved great things with the

The publicity that brings in accounts

shares rising from a placing price at 110p in January 1984 ato a high earlier this year of 675p. That price puts a value of £10 million on Mr Valin's total holding in the company.

The USM quote has brought additional pressures, Mr Valin concedes, but it has also opened doors and made acquisitions much more possible.

The favourite publicity the company achieved by going for a quote has helped bring in new accounts. Some of Valin Pollen's coups include being the first PR company to be appointed by Marks & Spencer, and doing the PR for the Reuters' flotation and the forthcoming privatisation of British Airways.

Mr Valin admits the group has to move fast to keep up with its demanding p/e rating on the stock market, but he appears to relish the pressures and heightened pace of activity.

Other new millionaires who have created their own companies tell similar tales of continuing hard work, though often of varying type.

Sir Peter Osborne, chairman and managing director of Osborne & Little, the wallpaper and fabric designer, says the day-to-day workings of the business are much the same, but the sense of purpose is stronger. He delegates more to a team of able staff – it is easier to get better staff now the company is better known – and increasingly concentrates on planning for help for the future.

In some ways the USM float was like starting over again, he says. A lot of employees took shares creating a more lively atmosphere and a new impetus.

Sir Peter and his brother-in-law Antony Little started the business in 1967 on a shoestring. Sir Peter's half-brother, John Aspinall, the casino operator and zookeeper, put in £1,000, which translated to an 8.7 per cent stake when the company came to the market in January this year. Sir Peter's holding in the company is worth more than £4 million today.

Instant share price premiums and dazzling ratings are not automatic for USM entrants, even if they are in booming areas of business. KLP Group, Britain's largest independent sales promotion group and the first to come to market, made a sluggish start on the USM in share price terms as it had a considerable job promoting its business to people.

Colin Lloyd, chief executive and co-founder of KLP, said "The City had only really grasped what advertising was when we presented them with another subdivision of marketing. We had the responsibility of floating our own company and our industry."

The City now understands what sales promotion is all about. KLP is valued at about £14.4 million on the USM against an issue valuation of £4.7 million in June 1983. Mr Lloyd's holding is nearly £5 million.

Mr Lloyd says if he had to do it all again, he would. The USM quote allowed KLP to make five acquisitions last year, which would not have been possible as a private company. It has given the opportunity of cementing relationships with employees and given the company a higher profile in the market-place, which adds a great deal of credibility.

One of the earliest successes on the USM, launched by one



The entrepreneurs turned millionaires are an energetic lot, like Reg Valin (top) Sir Peter Osborne (centre) and Colin Lloyd

of the markets more senior entrepreneurs, was Merrydown Wine, now Britain's fourth largest cider maker. Success has not persuaded Ian Howie, chairman and joint founder of the company in 1946, to sit back and let someone else take over the reins. In fact he takes his duties as chairman very seriously and even writes personal letters of welcome to every new shareholder on the company's register.

His family holdings and those of other directors represent 21 per cent of the total equity. Like many entrepreneurs, Mr Howie says he would like to have parted with less equity over the years – most of it before coming to the USM – but so far there has been no hint of a hostile bid for Merrydown.

Mr Howie took no money out of Merrydown when it came to the USM. It came by way of introduction from the Stock Exchange's 163(2) market and managed to keep its flotation costs down to a minimal £6,000.

Although his shareholding and options show him to be a wealthy man, he says he is up to his ears in debt. A deeply discounted one-for-two rights issue in 1983 almost eliminated the company's borrowings, but was quite onerous on the directors, who had to borrow to take up their rights.

Two notable exceptions from this horde of male USM millinaires are Anita Roddick's Body Shop International and Debbie Moore's Pineapple Dance Studios – created by two women who now head the companies.

Both have been voted Veuve Clicquot Business Woman of the Year – Miss Moore in 1984 and Mrs Roddick in 1985.

Mrs Roddick, managing director, opened her first Body Shop in Brighton in 1976 to sell natural-based skin and hair care products, which had not been tested on animals.

She started wih a £5,000 investment made by a Sussex garage owner. Today the company is worth about £42 million and Mrs Roddick and her husband Gordon, also company chairman, are worth about £8 million each.

The story at Pineapple Dance is a slightly less happy one. The company was launched on the USM with great fanfare in 1982. Former model and chairman, Miss Moore, almost brought the stock market to a halt when she walked on to the floor on the first day of Pineapple's trading dressed in a leotard.

Pineapple had humble origins in an old pineapple warehouse converted to dance studio in Covent Garden. It boomed on the back of the aerobics craze.

The exclusive club for the ambitious

making Miss Moore and her husband Norris Masters, also company finance director, into paper millionaires.

However, development costs of a new dance studio in New York plunged the company into first half losses of £197,000 pre-tax against a previous profit of £77,000 and the share price fell heavily in May this year.

After touching a low of 30p the shares have recovered to around 50p, but are still a long way from their peak of 93p earlier this year.

The exclusive club of USM millionaires is full of colourful and ambitious people, some of them young. The most meteoric rise, in terms of personal fortune, was experienced by Stephen Marks, chairman, chief executive and founder of the clothing design group French Connection.

He floated his company on the USM in 1983.

Earlier this year his shareholding had a value of £46 million, although recent weaknesses in the share price now makes it worth only about £29 million.

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SPECIAL REPORT

UNLISTED SECURITIES MARKET/3

Why there is demand for a third division

Calls for an active third division share market which would be under the control of the Stock Exchange are being heard with increasing frequency in the City.

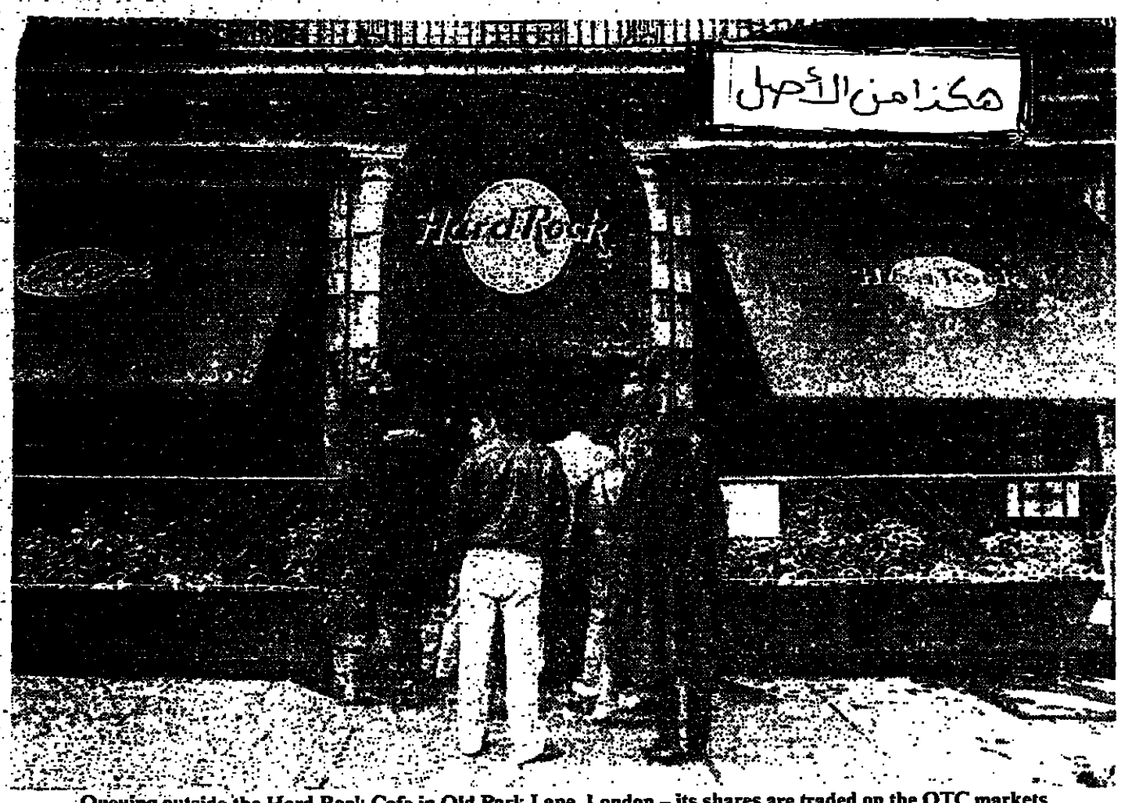
The undoubted success of the Unlisted Securities Market has directed attention towards the array of booming over-the-counter (OTC) markets which are outside the jurisdiction of the Stock Exchange.

There are basically two considerations fuelling this interest. One is the uneasy feeling that the free-wheeling, more happy-go-lucky fringe OTC markets need the strong supervision which the Stock Exchange is trained to administer. The other is less altruistic. An awful lot of business is being drained from brokers and jobbers by the existence of the OTC spread.

At the moment the Stock Exchange runs two active share markets and an antiquated, backwater share dealing facility often know as the twilight zone.

The main market, of course, consists of fully listed companies, ranging from the giants of British industry to some quite small operations.

The USM, where certain requirements are less vigorously applied than on the full market, is in effect the second division or junior market.



Queuing outside the Hard Rock Cafe in Old Park Lane, London – its shares are traded on the OTC markets

Fringe markets would face 'surgery'

Some suggest that the USM and OTC markets should merge. Others think that the special share dealing facility market should be linked with the OTC markets. There is also a suggestion that the OTC markets should be taken under the wing of the Stock Exchange and operated as a separate entity.

But before any Stock Exchange link could be made, the fringe markets would have to undergo considerable surgery.

At the moment the OTC markets are a botch-pot of often unrelated operations run by about 20 licensed dealers. Indeed the markets which make up the OTC collection differ in so many respects that it is misleading, but accepted practice, to lump them together.

Some are run as self-contained units enjoying little, if any, link with any other fringe markets. Other markets have varying relationships with the markets conducted by other licensed dealers. And the requirements for entering a fringe market vary from licensed dealer to licensed dealer.

Just to add to the confusion there is no uniform style for operating an OTC market.

Clearly then the Stock Exchange would have to streamline this collection of markets if only to offer the policing which many desire.

To add to the problems many of the companies now enjoying an OTC presence are unsuitable for the USM. It could be arranged for the better quality companies to move to the USM; others to be transferred to the special dealing market; and for the rest, often tiny start-up concerns and those tottering near bankruptcy, to fade quietly into a share dealing wilderness.

The latter's near oblivion can be likened to the hundreds of public but unquoted companies which do not have a share presence on any market and rely on the company secretary to match share transcations.

Currently the special dealing facility market, conducted under one of the Stock Exchange's 535 rules, embraces the shares of some companies such as Kunick Holdings, the leisure group, and the Hard Rock Cafe, which are traded on OTC markets.

Before the USM was launched five years ago the Stock Exchange authorities considered activating the 535 market, or 163 market as it was then known, into its second string share dealing zone. A number of companies were encouraged to seek a presence on the special dealing facility market. However, there was an abrupt change of mind. It was decided that because of its very nature the 535 market should remain an unruffled backwater and a brand new maket, the USM, would be launched.

A closer association with the Stock Exchange could prevent a big disaster

The 535 market was judged just too sleepy to be used with some of the constituent companies almost unwilling participants.

Nowadays the 535 market caters for a wide variety of companies which are not suitable, or do not want, a full USM presence.

They range from old-established family controlled and run brewery companies where just a few shares have drifted out of the tight control of the dominant families, to football clubs, old plantation companies and a motley collection which have seen better days.

However, just occasionally up and coming companies slip on to the 535 market before seeking elevation to the USM. Crusts, a restaurant company started four years ago, should move from the 535 market to USM this month.

However, dealings under the 535 facility are limited. If the Stock Exchange feels a company is having too much exposure it puts a freeze on trading.

Granville & Co, which runs the biggest OTC market in capitalization terms, would probably find little difficulty filtering its own market constituents on to the 535 market. After all the Granville market adopts the matched bargains approach. But the more active OTC markets, like the one conducted by Harvard Securities, would not fit in with the 535 facility.

However, for the sake of orderly share markets and the need for shareholder protection closer supervision of the OTC markets is needed.

There have not been any major scandals on the OTC markets, but ripples of unease have already been felt from a number of unfortunate upsets.

A much closer association with the Stock Exchange could prevent what many fear – a major disaster which could rebound on the more closely policed Stock Exchange markets.

A financial crash involving hundreds, perhaps thousands of investors is not the sort of attention the Stock Exchange needs in these days of the approaching Big Bang.

It is, of course, the small private investor who has been attracted to the OTC markets. In the main the large institutional shareholders have steered clear.

Still there is no doubt that the OTC markets are booming and will continue to do so in the immediate future.

One area where OTC markets have achieved an advantage, some feel unfairly, over the Stock Exchange is Business Expansion Schemes. Under present Whitehall legislation BES operations lose their tax advantages if the shares are listed on the Stock Exchange's full market of its USM. But a BES stock preserves its tax benefits if the shares are traded on an OTC market.

So although the USM has in most cases exceeded the most optimistic forecasts, many feel it could have done even better if the BES disqualification was removed.

But the Stock Exchange itself is guilty of retarding the USM's growth by insisting on blinkered requirements. It is acceptable for a start-up company to come to the USM and quite a few have availed themselves of the opportunity. But any company which has been trading for a little while, say 18 months, is refused a USM presence. It has to wait until it has a three-year record.

This restriction has already in the USM's five year existence

A serious threat from Amsterdam?

forced a number of companies to seek a presence on the OTC markets. At least one, Avisco, felt obliged to raise cash on the Amsterdam stock market. Some see the so-called Amsterdam parallel market emerging as a serious threat to the USM.

There is also talk that after the Big Bang companies with less than £10 million capitalization will no longer be welcomed on the USM and will be driven to the OTC markets.

Such gossip can be dismissed. Some merchant banks now believe that a company under £5 million should not be asked to carry the expense of having both a merchant banker and broker handling the issue.

But a variety of small and medium brokers have found floating smallish companies on the USM a highly rewarding exercise and they will not give up this activity.

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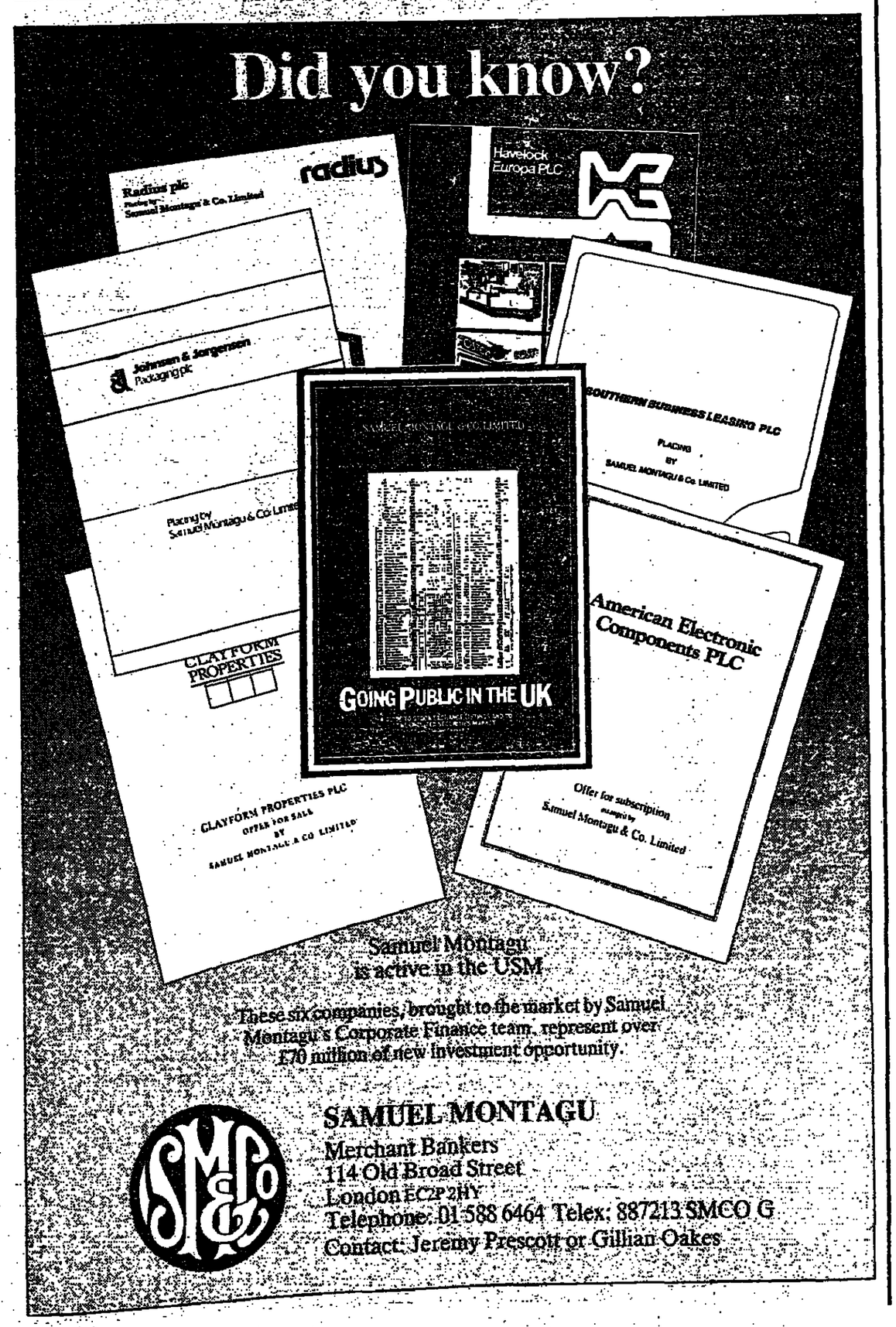
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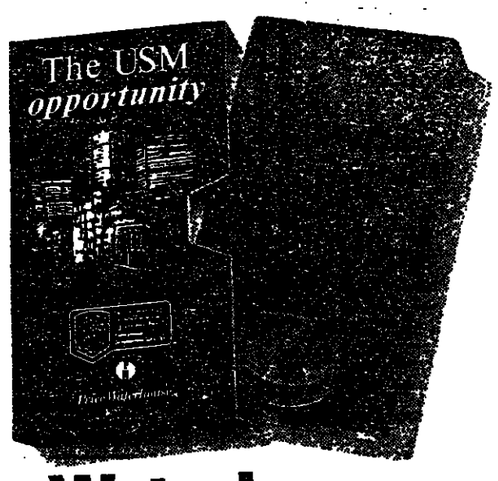
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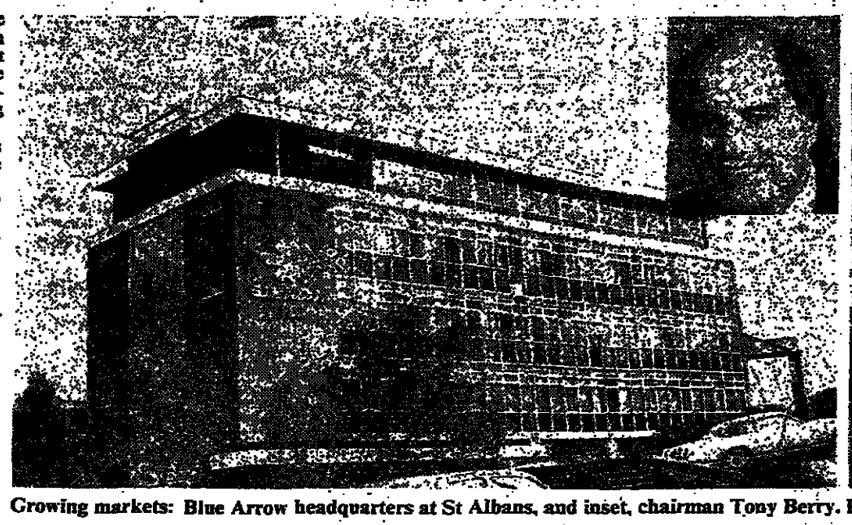
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UNLISTED SECURITIES MARKET/4

SPECIAL REPORT

More winners than losers





Growing markets: Blue Arrow headquarters at St Albans, and inset, chairman Tony Berry. Right: Peter Gummer, chairman of Shandwick public relations

One of the most distinctive features of the USM has been the very low level of outright company failures and the relatively high level of companies growing and graduating to a full stock exchange listing.

Out of over 400 companies that have been floated on the market in the past five years, only five have gone into receivership or liquidation, although some have been saved from this fate only by being taken over.

Of the failures the best known were Hesketh Motorcycles and Euroflame, both of which foundered in the early days of the new market. Hesketh, one of the original 11 companies to switch from the stock exchange's 163(2) market to the USM in its first month of operation, crashed when development costs of the new British superbike started to escalate and the market for the products turned out to be too small. Euroflame, the wood burning stove manufacturer, went into voluntary liquidation in March 1982 just one year after coming to the market.

Defects in its stoves caused large losses instead of the promised profits.

A more recent near failure was Airship Industries, which was saved from a more ignominious fate by being taken over by Australia's Bond Corporation last year. The company has been kept airborne and hopes to try again for a USM quote shortly. It is currently quoted on the over-the-counter market and has just obtained a listing in Australia.

Flying high into profits

The lighter-than-air airships won their air operators' certificate from the Civil Avaition Authority in August allowing the Skyship 500 craft to carry passengers. The company also recorded on operating profit of £993,000 in the 15 months to June 30, 1985, against a loss of £5.6 million in the year to March 1984.

The low failure confounded early sceptics who prophesized the new market was too risky and was attracting companies with little or no track record. The excitement of the early days and limited availability of stock, in what were frequently tiny issues, often produced wildly unrealistic share prices and price/earnings ratios.

A more hard-headed and selective approach now prevails and p/e ratios have been scaled back to more sensible levels. Fads have come and gone. Greenfield or start-up, companies received a rapturous welcome in the past, only to plummet shortly afterwards.

Bio-Isolates came to the market in July 1982 with no track record and no profit forecast. It had pioneered a technique for producing protein from whey, the waste left over from cheesemaking, and wanted to commercialise that process. When it came to market it had no commercial contracts lined up.

From a placing price at 33p the shares rocketed to a high in 1983 at 465p on pure speculation. They have now come back to around 30p after a one-for-three rights issue. The company believes the patented process is still very viable and has a large potential market. But reaching the point of commerical production has been more costly and slower than expected and profits have yet to materialise.

Other greenfield companies have similar tales of woe. Nimslo, the three-dimensional camera manufacturer, came to the market in November 1981 valued at £240 million, or two thirds of the stock market valuation of Polaroid.

Nimslo had not sold a single camera when it came to market and four years later sales are still very disappointing and far adrift from the sort of projections that were being made in the prospectus. The market capitalisation today is about £12.5 million.

Synterials was another technology stock which failed to live up to its promise. When it came to market in December 1983 it was the largest cash raising exercise the USM had seen. The company issued 20 million shares at £1, which gave it a value of £25 million.

The rather undiscriminating bull market in USM stocks was, however, beginning to run out of steam, and one third of Synterials' shares were left with the underwriters. Just 18 months later Synterials was taken over by BBA Group for £16 million.

The USM has been characterised by fashions throughout its short life. Oil issues were the glamour stocks of the early days, but fell heavily out of favour when the oil price declined and consumption slumped in the recession. Computer stocks then took over as the market's darlings, only to meet a similar fate as the home computer boom died.

Acorn Computers was the most spectacular example of the mighty falling. Once the largest company on the USM with a market capitalization of more than £200 million, the company slumped to a capitalization of just £29 million last June. Falling home computer sales was the cause.

A capital restructuring was worked out with the company's advisers to try and ensure Acorn's survival. The result was that the Italian office equipment group Olivetti, which first took a 49.3 per cent stake in Acorn in February, put in £4 million more and increased its stake to 79.8 cent. Acorn's six main creditors agreed to take only 70 per cent of the money they were owed, writing off £7.9 million as bad debts. The BBC also agreed to take a substantial cut in future royalty payments on the BBC Micro, which Acorn produces for it, as well as writing off half of the royalties due or paid since July 1984 at a cost of £2 million.

In the year to June 1985 Acorn lost £22.2 million pre-tax against a previous profit of £10.8 million. The company is still in business, but has a very long way to go to recover its former glories.

So much for losers. The winners have been more plentiful with total of 49 graduating to a full listing. The latest recruit to the full market was Invent Energy, an oil and gas exploration company and the largest of its kind on the USM. It had a bumper year to May 31, 1985 producing taxable profits of £8.9 million against a previous loss of £1.4 million.

Some of the more spectacular successes on the USM have been service companies in glamorous sectors like advertising, public relations and design. A service company in a slightly less glamorous sector, which qualifies as the fastest USM growth stock of the past year, is Blue Arrow, the staff recruitment group.

Blue Arrow hires out secretaries, administration staff, lorry drivers, cleaners and catering staff. Headed by ex-Brengreen director Tony Berry, the company has grown from a market capitalisation of £3.1 million at its launch on the USM in July last year to one of around £40 million today including its latest acquisition Brook Street Bureau.

The agreed bid for Brook Street, worth £17 million in cash, was quite a coup in the industry as there were at least nine interested parties, who had made overtures.

Blue Arrow's profits are set to rocket as it begins to squeeze more out of its several acquisitions. The company has forecast £1.9 million pre-tax in the year just ended to October 31 against £411,000 in 1984. City forecasts are for £4 million this year.

Although service companies have largely done well on the USM, there are several success stories among companies in mundane manufacturing areas of business. Spring Ram, which designs, manufactures and markets bathrooms and kitchens is such a company. It came to the USM in April 1983 and moved up to a full listing earlier this year, after announcing its fifth successive year of record profits. Its first set of interim results since joining the main board have continued the trend – a profit increase of 42.5 per cent to £1.8 million.

McCarthy & Stone has also managed to create strong profits growth out of plain bricks and mortar. It was one of the first companies to see the need for sheltered housing for the elderly and it quickly built a niche for itself in a fast expanding market. It came to the USM in July 1982 and was one of the speediest graduates going on to a full listing just 18 months later.

It is hard to draw general conclusions about what makes for success or failure on the USM. It is fair to say that greenfield companies have not done well. One-product companies, unsurprisingly, have also fared badly.

Sectors have been in and out of fashion according to the underlying markets. So far the glamour sectors of advertising, public relations, design and marketing remain fashionable, as their underlying markets continue to grow strongly.

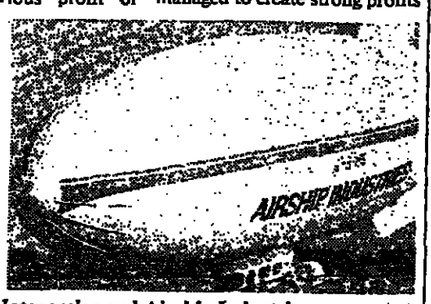
But there is no guarantee of continuing success. High fliers do fall. Acorn was one.

Others have flown and flown. Body Shop International, retailers of natural products, has seen explosive growth since it came to the USM in April last year. From a launch valuation of £4.75 million, the group is now worth over £42 million.

The answer seems to be a question of hitting on the right product at the right time.

Alison Eadie





Failure and near failure: Hesketh Motorcycles and Airship Industries

Simpler rules attract the young companies

The USM's main attraction for young companies is the relatively easy entry requirements. By comparison with the main market the rules are simpler and less onerous, and offers an excellent training ground for life as a listed company.

The first step is for companies to accept the obligations of a public company, which may not be easy for an entrepreneur. A man who has, for example, built up his business over ten years, nursing it through crises, may not relish the prospect of outsiders asking questions and demanding ever better performance.

As well as regular disclosure, companies joining either of the two markets regulated by the Stock Exchange, the main market and the USM, often have to adopt new and tougher accounting systems. Sometimes they also have to cut the directors' pay as they cannot be seen to be paying themselves at the expense of outside shareholders.

For the same reason, the holiday villa or yacht in the Mediterranean that private companies often own for tax reasons, have to go. Sometimes a director finds that part of the money he raises from selling his shares has to go towards buying back the villa or yacht so his family can continue to use them.

There has to be a properly constructed board, large enough so that one of the directors has time to deal with professional advisers before the float and later with queries from a whole range of people, including the media.

Phillips & Drew, the leading stockbroker, insists that all the companies it sponsors for entry to the USM have a non-executive director. Many companies do not like having a name foisted on them, however well known in the City, but this hurdle is only one of many they may have to clear.

Companies prepared to accept these general restrictions have a choice between the main market and the USM. The USM is attractive on two counts: entry is cheaper and companies have to show a trading record going back only three years rather than the five required for listed companies. Companies can therefore get most of the benefits of going public two years earlier in their development.

The USM also accepts newly-started companies with a well-researched project but no trading record to. Investors' experience with these greenfield companies has on the whole been unhappy and it looks as if their future demand for finance will be met more from the over-the-counter market and business expansion schemes.

The three-year rule means that USM companies tend to be smaller than their listed counterparts. There are no formal requirements on size but in practice the lower limit for profits was previously about £200,000, rising recently to £350,000. Similarly the upper limit used to be about £1 million before tax but last month Magnetic Materials opted to join the USM even though it made £2.2 million last year.

Equally there are no formal rules on market capitalisation. At the time of flotation most entrants have been valued at about £10 million but this average seems to be rising in line with profits. Larger price tags have been put on, for example, Access Satellite at £24 million, Asprey, the jewellers, at £16 million and French Connection at £19 million.

Larger companies tend to move in to the main market. So far 45 have taken this route usually because they wanted to improve the marketability of their shares. Invent Energy, the latest USM company to make the move, having esta-

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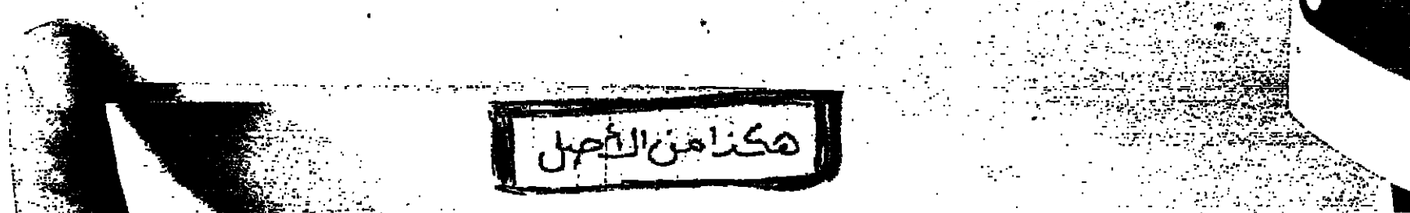
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How to attract the young companies

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mated its profit at £8.5 million for the year to May 31.

A USM company needs to put 10 per cent of its shares in public hands. This lower limit applies to placings, where the shares are sold directly to institutions before dealings begin. Many companies issue a larger proportion. For example Immediate Business Systems sold 60 per cent of its equity.

Peat Marwick, the accountants, report that of 406 companies which had joined the USM by the end of September 271 used placings, while only 56 had opted for public offers for sale. The rest used introductions because their shares were already traded on another market. Kennedy Brookes, the restaurant chain, is an example of a company which has moved up successively from the Rule 156(2) market to the USM by an introduction and more recently to the main market.

These rules make the USM especially suitable for young companies who do not want to raise a huge amount of money first. Most have realised less than £5 million though there are plenty of exceptions, including Synterials, a green field operation, Acorn Computer Group and Hadson Petroleum International, which all raised more than £10 million.

Most want to join the USM to raise their profile in front of investors, as well as suppliers and customers. Others want to use their shares for acquisitions but for this they often have to move to the main market. Often a flotation on the USM enables the founders to realise some cash.

Usually there is a mixture of motives. For example, Shandwick, the public relations company which recently had a successful launch on the USM, says the move will have boosted its status and to that end it plans to use the prospectus as a marketing tool. As part of the flotation the chairman, Peter Gummer, was able to raise £1.6 million by selling some of his shares. The company raised a small amount after expenses and was also able to offer equity to some employees. While this combination of objectives can be seen to work successfully for all concerned the USM is assured of a bright future.

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Watching the market: Geoff Douglas of Hoare Govett and pig breeders in Felixstowe

The firms rushing to join

The Unlisted Securities Market has seldom been out of the spotlight since its launch five years ago. Then, as today, critics drew attention to its shortcomings. But as the junior market celebrates its anniversary few would deny it has achieved a considerable measure of success.

The USM has clearly not turned into a giant South Sea Bubble, but into a valuable capital-raising feature of the City of London.

At the last count more than 400 companies had obtained a listing on the USM, of which 45 graduated to the main market, 21 have been acquired, and eight re-organized.

Naturally there have been casualties. The USM caters for companies on the threshold of expansion and the weak, and sometimes reckless, that have fallen by the wayside. But the total of just eight companies which have had dealings suspended or cancelled for solvency reasons can probably be considered a relatively small price to pay.

The total market capitalization of companies on the USM presently stands at around £3.6 billion. So far this year around £262 million has been raised by companies arriving on the market, compared with £261 million for the whole of last year.

There remains no shortage of companies seeking a listing – from pig breeders to do-it-yourself firms, from office equipment suppliers to restaurateurs – and the inevitable clutch of high technology companies with which the USM has become so closely identified.

From just 23 companies which nervously tip-toed to the USM during 1980 the numbers more than trebled the following year and last year reached 101. The total is likely to be matched this year.

The USM was created to stimulate the flow of new companies to the stock market. The authorities had become concerned at the dearth of new quoted companies and wanted to encourage the small entrepreneur to make use of the capital markets.

Its most important innovation was in relaxing the entry rules so new member firms were only required to produce a three-year profit record instead of five years in the case of the main market, and that the vendors had to sell to the public no more that 10 per cent of the equity.

But while this appeared to offer encouragement to raise funds from the public while retaining a firm grip on the business, sceptics feared it would become a licence for fly-by-night operators keen to make a quick killing at the innocent investor's expense.

The authorities throughout have acted with vigilance towards new companies – while always reminding the public that share buying is a risk business – but there is now general agreement that the quality of companies coming to the USM is probably much better.

Brian Winterflood, managing director of stock jobbers Bisgood Bishop, has always been a keen promoter of the USM. He agrees that it is much less speculative than it was. "The whole market has changed. I think one reason is that the sponsors are much better now than in the early days."

Benefits exceeded costs and disruption

A report just commissioned by accountants Spicer and Pegler found that more than 90 per cent of companies thought the benefits exceeded the costs and disruption involved with the listing.

Companies explained that their main reason in going to the market was to improve the prospects of growth by acquisition, although one criticism of the USM is that fewer companies than expected had used their new status to expand. The listing has also enabled firms to reward key staff through share option schemes.

But the report echoed concern elsewhere that the USM may not cope too well in a bear market. Geoff Douglas of stocktakers Hoare Govett, specializes in the market and is aware of the anxieties. He feels that the very tightness of the market in the shares – itself a target of some criticism – would deter institutions from unloading stock. They are more likely to provide support for the market and sit out any period of weakness.

One of the problems caused by the shortage of stock – an inevitable result of companies only being obliged to release a smal proportion of their equity to gain entry – is that even a small buying or selling order can produce wild swings in the price of the shares.

This has imlications, too, for the entrepreneurs themselves, the "paper millionaires" frustrated from realising some of their wealth by selling shares for fear of what damaging impact it will have on the price.

But the USM, even after five eventful years, still remains at the nursery stage and as it gains maturity will come to terms with the difficulties that remain – difficulties which have not, however, hampered its purpose of attracting businessmen (and women) into a new equity market.

Cliff Feltham

Being in the public eye

The vast majority of companies which have made it to the USM believe that the effort involved was well worth it. But as they come to grips with their new status, a number of snags are being singled out.

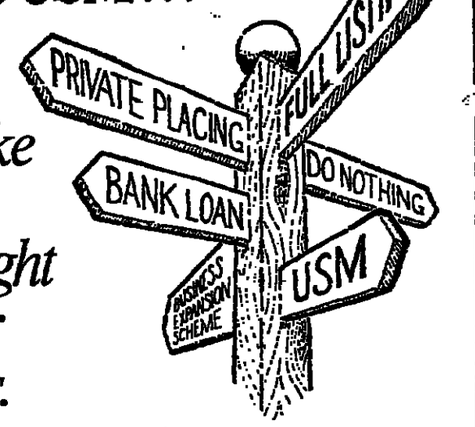
A survey just carried out by the accountancy firm Spicer and Pegler has found that while companies enjoy being listed, they do not altogether relish the idea of being in the public eye.

Neither do directors appreciate their new-found responsibilities, particularly the restraints sometimes placed on them by sitting on the board of a public company. The survey notes: "Exposure to comment by the press and other observers remains a source of unease. Undoubtedly this contributes to the directors' sense of being inhibited in their actions."

It adds: "Some directors we interviewed in the small, newer companies regarded their companies as a vehicle and did not object to legal constraints placed upon the corporate entity but were unhappy to accept individually a similar burden."

The chore of being obliged to report six monthly figures and the need to meet certain legal requirements were also cited by some companies as disadvantages to being members of the junior market.

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8	Comcap	
9	Electronic Rentals	
10	Highland Elect	
	INDUSTRIALS L–E	
11	Maronair	
12	Lamont	
13	Marshall (Loxley)	
14	Radiform Glass	
15	Forter Chadburn	
16	Lon Midland	
17	Metal Box	
18	Metal Closures	
19	Robertson Res	
20	Ransome Sims	
	FOODS	
21	Watson & Philip	
22	Sainsbury (J)	
23	Kwik Save	
24	Alpine Drinks	
25	Barleys	
26	Unigate	
27	Cadbury-Schwepp	
28	Glass Glover	
29	AB Food	
30	Dee	
	INDUSTRIALS E–K	
31	Ferguson Ind	
32	Elcco	
33	Johnson Cleaners	
34	Glynwed	
35	Garton Eng	
36	Hunting Assoc	
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38	Jacksons Bourne	
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BUILDING AND ROADS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
35.1m	Aberdeen Constr	212	● +10	16.5	5.0	13.2
771.4m	Amec	286	+1	15.7	5.5	10.5
2,500,000	Arnolite	50		8.1e	8.3	7.7
40.1m	Ashtonds	115		5.7	5.0	11.3
644.4m	BPB Industries	338	+13	11.0	3.3	13.5
12.7m	Baggeridge Brick	318		9.5	3.0	13.7
208.2m	Barratt Dev's	118	● +2	10.9	9.4	..
1,208,000	Bailey(B) Constr	25		0.4	1.4	..
24.7m	Bellway	145		10.0	7.0	8.5
14.0m	Benford Concrete	93		5.4	8.5	33.2
10.2m	Blatt Bros	68		4.4	6.5	10.2
15.4m	Blockleys	900	+10	52.9	5.7	12.9
731.0m	Blue Circle	570	-28	28.8	5.0	7.5
14.6m	Breedon&Cloud Hill	240		13.6	5.7	28.9
10.2m	Brickhouse Duckey	68		4.9	7.5	10.5
11.6m	Br Dredging	57		3.6	6.3	15.8
3,400,000	Brown&Jackson	72				11.7
11.5m	Brownlee	72		5.7	7.9	12.8
67.2m	Bryant	84		4.7	5.6	10.2
1,110,000	Burnett & Hallen	148		12.5	4.4	3.0	24.7
116.5m	Cement-Readstone	78½		1.2	3.0	3.1	25.1
5,600,000	Concrete Grp	68		2.1	3.1	5.1	23.1
338.2m	Costain	488		22.1	4.5	10.3	9.5
18.6m	Countryside	314	+28	7.5	2.4	5.1	17.5
73.4m	Crouch (Derek)	168		7.9	4.7	10.4	23.6
8,980,000	Dew (George)	112		8.1	7.3	6.8	..
10.9m	Douglas (RM)	72		2.5	3.5	12.8	..
11.8m	ENR	80		4.4	7.4	6.6	..
1,324,000	Fels	99		4.1	7.4	7.1	7.9
2,981,000	Do 'A'	58		4.1	7.1	7.9	..
6,992,000	Finlan (John)	65		4.5	6.7	26.4	..
710.3m	French Kier	219	+11	8.8	4.0	11.3	..
14.0m	Galliford	80		6.1	7.5	23.3	..
1,827,000	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	135		23.3	17.2	35.6	..
24.0m	Gleeson (M J)	280		7.2	2.6	13.5	..
68.0m	GMT	113		5.3	4.7	11.7	..
1,410,000	Hallcal Bar	47					..
40.5m	Hawden-Stuart	46		2.3	4.9	9.5	..
39.8m	Heywood Williams	181		8.9	5.5	9.4	..
18.2m	Higgs & Hill	208		18.3	8.8	11.7	..
109.6m	Holcroft Johnson	176		6.1	3.4	13.5	..
3,016,000	Jarvis (J) & Sons	236		25.0	8.4	10.2	..
67.4m	Laing (J)	318		8.9	2.8	10.1	..
183.4m	Do 'A'	318		8.9	2.8	10.1	..
18.2m	Lawrence (Walter)	95		4.9	5.1	7.9	..
99.3m	Lilley (FJG)	74		5.3	7.1	11.2	..
66.3m	Lovell (Y J)	298		8.6	2.9	15.1	..
248.4m	Magnet & South	138		10.3	7.5	14.1	..
27.7m	Marchon	188		10.9	5.8	11.9	..
92.7m	Marshalls (Halifax)	168		6.4	3.8	12.4	..
9,850,000	May & Hassell	108		6.4	5.1	..	..
111.1m	McAlpine (Alfred)	322	-10	14.9	4.6	10.9	..
157.7m	Meyer Int	174		7.5	4.3	9.8	..
1,260,000	Miller (Stanley)	21		0.7	3.4	..	..
14.5m	Monk (A)	132		9.3	7.0	17.8	..
83.7m	Mowlem (John)	328		19.6	6.0	22.1	..
85.9m	Newarthill	885		15.7	1.8	16.9	..
17.1m	Nottingham Brick	158		7.9	5.0	14.7	..
26.8m	Pearce (CH) Sons	675		11.1	1.6	12.9	..
19.5m	Persimmon	128		6.8	5.3	..	..
3,269,000	Phoenix Timber	110		4.5	3.9	4.1	..
2,808,000	Pochins	270		18.4	6.8	5.2	..
451.8m	RMC	474		18.3	4.0	10.6	..
704.6m	Redland	343		15.0	4.4	10.6	..
7,980,000	Roberts Adlard	160		8.6	5.4	13.5	..
31.0m	Ruberoid	215		11.1	5.2	11.4	..
194.8m	Rugby Cement	139½		8.9b	6.5	10.6	..
109.1m	Sisk	226		10.1b	6.5	10.3	..
19.0m	Sharpe & Fisher	98		3.2	3.3	15.0	..
7,481,000	Smart (J)	74		6.2	8.4	9.4	..
1,193.6m	Tarmac	388		11.7	3.0	16.1	..
383.7m	Taylor Woodrow	358		21.4	6.0	10.7	..
18.3m	Tilbury Group	124		7.9	6.8	10.7	..
58.7m	Travis & Arnold	268		11.3e	3.4	11.7	..
6,463,000	Trent	94		1.5	1.6	11.3	..
6,888,000	Turriff	185		10.1b	5.4	38.5	..
11.7m	Viboplant	185		12.9	6.6	8.5	..
31.7m	Ward	241		9.8	4.0	12.4	..
2,980,000	Warrington (T)	78		6.7	7.5	8.7	..
30.7m	Watts Blake	190		8.0	3.1	15.3	..
1,176,000	Western Bros	70		14e	2.0	14.0	..
4,413,000	Wiggins	44					..
132.2m	Wilson (Connolly)	352		4.5	1.5	14.6	..
366.6m	Wimpey (George)	138		4.6	3.4	13.1	..

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Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
1,202.7m	AKZO N/V Bearer	239½	● +1½	486	13.1	..
192.2m	Allied Colloids	156		9.8	2.4	14.1
183.3m	Amersham	326		9.8	2.6	15.9
7,988,000	Anchor Chemical	180	● +15	9.1	3.2	7.0
3,333.9m	Bayer DM50	230½	● +½	700	10.2	..
29.2m	Bibby(J)	119		15.9	9.4	8.5
48.0m	Brent Chems	117	● +1	5.1	4.4	15.5
4,823,000	Br Benzol	21½				..
36.5m	Br Tar Products	168		5.7b	5.2	13.8
16.0m	Cuting (W)	93		5.1	5.5	13.6
225.3m	Coalite	282		14.4	5.1	10.2
24.3m	Coates Bros	142		6.6	4.6	8.6
39.7m	Do 'A'	123		6.6	5.3	7.4
2,852,000	Cory (Horace)	124		6.7	4.8	3.2
157.3m	Crode	138	● +6	10.5	7.4	14.1
10.7m	Do Did	101				..
30.4m	Ellis & Everard	188		8.4	4.5	18.5
185.2m	Fisons-Hitsep	288		11.5	5.3	9.9
10.7m	Hellenic (James)	80		5.7	6.4	7.1
62.1m	Hickson	321	-35	21.4	6.7	7.3
3,468.5m	Hoechst DM50	238½				..
4,358.2m	Imp Chem Ind	954		44.5	6.6	8.7
491.5m	Laporte	338	● +5	18.5	5.5	17.8
15.2m	Leigh	98		4.5	4.4	15.5
42.1m	Plysu	178		3.1	1.9	16.6
5,680,000	Rebrook Hidge.	74		3.6	4.9	10.2
289.0m	Rentokil	191		3.2	2.1	26.5
285.1m	SNIA BPD	172	+11			..
31.6m	Stewart Plastic	138		3.6	2.6	19.6
12.4m	Wolstenholme Rink	260	● +10	11.1	5.5	9.3
9,824,000	Yorkshire Chem	73	+10	2.5e	3.4	12.1

CINEMAS AND TV

23.3m	Anglia TV 'A'	178	+3	11.4	6.6	12.4
3,063,000	Grampian	30		2.4	8.0	9.6
94.8m	HTV N/V	179	● +10	11.0	6.5	7.8
48.6m	LWT Hldgs	288		20.6	7.2	..
13.9m	Scot TV 'A'	164		12.7	7.8	8.7
35.8m	TVS N/V	147		8.6	5.8	8.6
6,481,000	TSW	38		2.4	6.1	8.2

DRAPERY AND STORES

11.1m	Aquascutum 'A'	86		3.2	4.9	24.9
43.2m	Bairnie (James) 'A'	95		3.6	3.8	16.8
57.4m	Bentalls	135	●	3.1	2.2	28.1
5,584,000	Bishop Lea	18				..
5,695,000	Brenner	63		1.4	2.2	47.9
668.5m	Br Home Stores	315		10.5	3.3	17.2
39.3m	Brown (N)	232		12.5	5.4	27.2
1,851.3m	Burton	138		12.1	8.8	10.9
1,820,000	Caird (A) &Sons	98				..
4,586,000	Carson 'A'	95		2.9	3.1	21.9
815,000	Chantel (S)	45		3.1	6.9	8.1
35.0m	Church	335		20.7	6.2	11.3
67.0m	Combined English	181		7.7	4.3	22.5
22.8m	Courts (Furn) 'A'	121		6.7	5.5	10.0
54.0m	Dalgety (J)	84		1.4	1.5	21.0
687.3m	Dixons Grp	347		8.6	0.9	28.5
163.3m	Dunlop	305		5.4	1.5	18.4
20.8m	Ellis & Goldleston	73		3.3	4.6	9.8
7,500,000	Elys (Wimbledon)	525		12.9	2.1	31.4
62.1m	Empire Stores	166		3.8	2.2	88.4
113.6m	Etam	215		4.8	2.1	28.5
662.0m	Fenwick Clothes	308				11.4
91.6m	Fine Art Dev	136		7.6	5.4	24.3
8,436,000	Ford (Martin)	54		6.1	6.1	..
6,080,000	Formmaster	175		8.5	4.6	9.6
275.4m	Freemans	328	● +5	14.4	4.4	22.2
6,000,000	Galtier (AJ)	96		7.4	7.7	8.4
94.6m	Gens BR	98	● +10	2.9	4.2	41.0
13.1m	Goldberg (A)	77		3.5	4.5	10.2
17.2m	Goldsmiths Gp	180	● +3	10.7	6.0	12.7
188.8m	Grattan	378	● +30	5.7	1.5	24.2
83.9m	GUS	395		35.7	9.0	9.6
2,148.5m	Do 'A'	395		35.7	9.0	9.6
920.9m	Habitat Mothercare	334	+14	11.4	3.4	25.5
278.4m	Harris Queensway	304		11.4	3.8	23.5
5,900,000	Harvey Of London	28½		2.5	8.8	10.6
301.0m	Hepworth (J)	218	-7	8.4	3.8	24.7
6,654,000	Hollas	27		2.9	10.6	11.3
149.6m	Home Charm	348	● +6	4.2	1.2	25.4
5,208,000	House Of Larose	108	● -1	11.4	10.5	16.2
5,400,000	Jones (Ernest)	84		5.5	6.6	18.1
1,954,000	Ladies Pride	128		2.1	2.3	17.8
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1,000,000	Liberty	855	+10	10.6	1.2	58.8
9,980,000	Lincoln Kilgour	188		8.6	4.7	14.2
4,966,000	Marks & Spencer	194		5.1	2.6	28.4
183.0m	Menzies (John)	331	+5	9.1	1.6	19.4
5,650,000	Mitchell Lebaon	185	●	2.9	1.5	18.4
15.2m	Moss Bros	208	● +15	7.4	1.5	35.9
31.2m	NSS Newsagents	108		4.9	4.9	11.7
8,747,000	Oliver (G)	353		11.7	3.4	25.5
51.2m	Owen (Owen)	201	●	5.8	2.1	24.5
2,172,000	Peters Stores	88		1.4	2.1	23.5
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38.5m	Rumbelows (Jewellers)	117		5.1	4.3	9.2
13.5m	Reyleuck	39		1.1	2.9	..
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2,566,000	S & U Stores	132		6.8	5.1	21.3
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73.8m	Do 'B'	53		1.4	2.7	18.5
16.8m	Stanley (AG)	98		3.1	3.2	18.4
17.8m	Sturtevant	68		3.1	4.6	10.4
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1,122.0m	Tern-Consulate	48		2.1	4.4	10.6
38.5m	Time Products	97½		2.5	2.6	10.8
1,000.0m	Vantona Viyella	344		16.6	4.7	11.6
4,597,000	Ww Group	350	● -1	11.5	3.4	8.6
13.0m	Ward White	138		8.5	6.7	18.8
6,141,000	Wigfall (Henry)	118		3.8	3.0	..
881.1m	Woolworth	93	● +12	12.9	2.2	25.4

ELECTRICALS

25.4m	AB Elect	175	● -45	11.4	6.5	13.1
187.8m	Amstrad	172		11.4	6.6	16.4
34.7m	Apricot Computers	87		2.1	2.3	5.3
4,504,000	Arlen	33				..
116.9m	Atlantic Comp	218	-18	2.4	1.1	11.7
1,197,000	Audio Fidelity	44				..
119.5m	Auto Sec	173		1.9	1.1	13.5
488.1m	DIGC	208	● +5	15.1	6.3	10.0
90.8m	BSR	95	● +3	2.4b	4.4	3.7
164.7m	Bowthorpe	371	+7	8.2	2.2	18.9
6,913.8m	Br Telecom 80p P	193		5.4	4.6	12.7
48.9m	Brown Boveri Kent	72		3.5	5.0	9.9

DRAPERY AND STORES (continued)

11.1m	Aquascutum 'A'	86		3.2	4.9	24.9
43.2m	Bairnie (James) 'A'	95		3.6	3.8	16.8
57.4m	Bentalls	135	●	3.1	2.2	28.1
5,584,000	Bishop Lea	18				..
5,695,000	Brenner	63		1.4	2.2	47.9
668.5m	Br Home Stores	315		10.5	3.3	17.2
39.3m	Brown (N)	232		12.5	5.4	27.2
1,851.3m	Burton	138		12.1	8.8	10.9
1,820,000	Caird (A) &Sons	98				..
4,586,000	Carson 'A'	95		2.9	3.1	21.9
815,000	Chantel (S)	45		3.1	6.9	8.1
35.0m	Church	335		20.7	6.2	11.3
67.0m	Combined English	181		7.7	4.3	22.5
22.8m	Courts (Furn) 'A'	121		6.7	5.5	10.0
54.0m	Dalgety (J)	84		1.4	1.5	21.0
687.3m	Dixons Grp	347		8.6	0.9	28.5
163.3m	Dunlop	305		5.4	1.5	18.4
20.8m	Ellis & Goldleston	73		3.3	4.6	9.8
7,500,000	Elys (Wimbledon)	525		12.9	2.1	31.4
62.1m	Empire Stores	166		3.8	2.2	88.4
113.6m	Etam	215		4.8	2.1	28.5
662.0m	Fenwick Clothes	308				11.4
91.6m	Fine Art Dev	136		7.6	5.4	24.3
8,436,000	Ford (Martin)	54		6.1	6.1	..
6,080,000	Formmaster	175		8.5	4.6	9.6
275.4m	Freemans	328	● +5	14.4	4.4	22.2
6,000,000	Galtier (AJ)	96		7.4	7.7	8.4
94.6m	Gens BR	98	● +10	2.9	4.2	41.0
13.1m	Goldberg (A)	77		3.5	4.5	10.2
17.2m	Goldsmiths Gp	180	● +3	10.7	6.0	12.7
188.8m	Grattan	378	● +30	5.7	1.5	24.2
83.9m	GUS	395		35.7	9.0	9.6
2,148.5m	Do 'A'	395		35.7	9.0	9.6
920.9m	Habitat Mothercare	334	+14	11.4	3.4	25.5
278.4m	Harris Queensway	304		11.4	3.8	23.5
5,900,000	Harvey Of London	28½		2.5	8.8	10.6
301.0m	Hepworth (J)	218	-7	8.4	3.8	24.7
6,654,000	Hollas	27		2.9	10.6	11.3
149.6m	Home Charm	348	● +6	4.2	1.2	25.4
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BREWERIES

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
1,953.5m	Allied-Lyons	288	+10	10.7	3.7	15.8
2,128.5m	Bass	663		19.5	2.9	16.4
11.5m	Bellhaven	45		1.1	2.4	34.9
68.8m	Boddingtons	98		4.2	4.3	14.2
118.5m	Brown (Matthew)	688		17.5	2.5	28.2
97.8m	Bulmer (H P)	177		7.8	4.4	14.3
27.2m	Burtonwood Brew	363				..
34.1m	Clark (Matthew)	385		19.0	2.5	16.9
27.0m	Devenish (J A)	248		17.1	2.4	21.7
1,993.3m	Distillers	243		7.7	3.1	12.7
211.2m	Greenall Whitley	288		9.6	3.5	18.1
103.4m	Greene King	248		7.8	3.5	17.8
1,014.5m	Guinness	362		10.3	2.1	13.6
16.3m	Hardys & Hansons	404		22.0	5.4	13.3
97.3m	Highland Dist	78		2.8	3.5	16.2
34.5m	Invergordon Dist	178		6.1	3.4	12.8
34.0m	Irish Dist	148		6.9	4.1	..
79.5m	Marston Thompson	98		4.6	4.6	15.9
19.0m	Morland	232		8.6	3.6	14.5
208.3m	SA Breweries	129		6.7	4.8	12.5
223.4m	Scot & Nwe	163		8.7	5.3	..
2,825.9m	Seagram	1287½		41.1	1.4	..
152.7m	Vaux	468		14.9	3.2	16.3
1,018.1m	Whitbread 'A'	273		9.9	3.6	13.9
45.2m	Do 'B'	273		9.9	3.6	13.9
147.8m	Whitbread Inv	224		7.9	3.5	14.5
332.4m	Wolverhampton & D	418		11.3	2.8	17.7
6,684,000	Young 'A'	280		9.6	3.6	16.4

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273.0m	Allied Irish	183	+5	9.6	5.5	..
75.3m	Anglocher (Henry)	88	-1	5.0	7.7	36.2
814.9m	Aus New Z	243	+5	19.0	8.2	..
1,577.7m	Bankamerica	210½	● +1½			..
142.9m	Bank Of Ireland	345	+6	17.9	4.9	..
660.0m	Bank Leumi Israel	210½				..
13.7m	Bank Lpool Uk	280		16.9	5.4	16.1
938.6m	Bank Of Scotland	457	-20	18.0b	4.1	10.5

BRITISH FUNDS

Stock outstanding £	Stock	Price last Friday	Ch'ge On week	Int only yld %	Gross Red. yld %

SHORTS (Under Five Years)

1150m	Exch	11½%	1985	99⅝	..	11.734	11.408
1000m	Treas C	10%	1985	99⅝	..	10.060	11.408
800m	Treas	3%	1986	95⅜	..	3.120	10.372
1099m	Exch C	10½%	1986	99⅝	..	10.548	11.376
1150m	Treas	12%	1986	100⅝	..	11.950	11.373
900m	Treas	9%	1986-86	98⅞	..	8.851	11.280
1000m	Exch	14%	1986	102⅝	..	13.667	11.250
650m	Exch	2½%	1986	94⅝	..	2.649	8.328
1850m	Exch	15½%	1987	102⅝	..	12.972	11.287
1000m	Treas C	10½%	1987	98⅝	..	10.358	11.163
900m	Exch	2½%	1987	93⅝	..	2.597	8.997
1550m	Exch	10½%	1987	99⅝	..	10.584	10.975
3800m	Fund	6¾%	1982-87	99⅝	..	6.849	10.944
1000m	Treas	10%	1987	99⅝	..	10.131	10.942
950m	Treas	3%	1987	91¼	..	3.294	8.886
1950m	Treas	12%	1987	101⅝	..	11.778	10.816
500m	Treas	7½%	1985-88	96⅝	..	8.504	10.592
1450m	Exch	10½%	1988	99⅝	..	10.559	10.772
1150m	Treas C	9¼%	1988	97⅝	..	9.981	10.808
1902m	Treas	3%	1978-88	87⅞	..	3.454	10.681
2050m	Treas	9¼%	1989	96⅝	..	9.925	10.629
2250m	Treas	11¾%	1989	101⅝	..	11.285	10.757
1100m	Treas C	9¼%	1989	96⅝	..	9.636	10.716
500m	Treas	3%	1989	87⅝	..	3.579	10.435
1400m	Exch	10¾%	1989	99⅝	..	10.579	10.765
2400m	Exch	10¾%	1989	97¾	..	10.243	10.774
1650m	Exch	11%	1989	100⅝	..	10.950	10.766
881m	Treas	3%	1989-92	85⅝	..	3.528	10.517
950m	Treas	13%	1987	108⅝	..	12.065	10.662
1300m	Exch	11¾%	1990	100⅝	..	10.918	10.746
1250m	Exch	12¼%	1990	103⅝	..	11.777	10.701
550m	Treas	3%	1990	83⅝	..	3.723	9

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Complicating the figures for Autumn Statement

When the Earl of Stockton finds himself pulled up sharp by Mr Peter Walker, even that amazing nonagenerian media star may come to feel he has gone a bit wrong. Let us take his patrician analogy between privatization and selling off the family silver a little further. Consider that slightly decaying couple, Sir Great and Lady Britain, who every year insist on increasing their overdraft – their bank maager is unlikely to complain if they flog off a bit of tarnished Edwardian silver, but would probably mutter they might have done so before. Indeed, the bank manager might suggest that Sir G should trim his lifestyle

I am not saying that any of these views make macroeconomic sense – I am attempting to show what happens when you try to make government policy out of household economics, be they of the stately home variety adopted by Lord Stockton or the corner shop type associated with Mrs Thatcher. We have the timely warning of the newest Reith lecturer against this sort of do-it-yourself economics, the only excuse for which is the way the Government crossly complicates its presentation of public finances, and then abuses these complications with intent to deceive.

Consider tomorrow's Autumn Statement, about which this storm has arisen. This Government was once exceptionally keen on open polices, medium-term strategies and informed debate. Information about Britain's bedgetary position increased enormously. As well as four-year projections for money, spending, public borrowing and tax published in the Budget, the annual "Autumn Statement", compiled after spending deals had been clinched in Cabinet, previewed budget dicisions.

The trouble with informed debate is that it can touch some sensitive spots. the autumn projection of revenue revealed the Government's estimate of its scope for tax cuts. So it stimulated speculation as to who would be favoured; or stirred potential victims of tax increases into vigorous self-defence.

So we are now back to an Autumn Statement of bare necessity. The Government is obliged by statute to publish a new economic forecast. It has to publish the results of its public spending decisions, else ministers would continue to leak accounts of their triumphs in the Star Chamber. But it is not publishing a new forecast for revenue, borrowing and hence tax cuts.

Some guesswork can still be done. The Treasury forecast will give a figure for real growth next year (say, 2½ per cent) plus inflation (probably more than 4 per cent for the financial year as a whole). After suitable technical adjustment, this gives us a guess at national income. This is likely to be rather higher than the £377 billion forecast in the spring – not because estimates of growth or inflation next year have changed much, but because higher inflation this year has pushed up the baseline.

This in turn suggests tax revenue should be higher, give or take some fall in oil revenue – which means that if the Chancellor sticks to his public borrowing target of £7.5 billion, he should still have about £3½ billion to "give away".

An awful lot of "ifs", a few of which will be settled by this skimpier Autumn Statement. However, one has been publicly settled – the Chancellor has held his £139 billion limit on public expenditure. But he has done so only by doubling asset sales.

The first worry is whether the Treasury's forecasts of receipts could be wiped out by a series of flotation flops. Probably not. The list of assets up for grabs looks more than sufficient to meet the Chancellor's targets.

The second is whether the Government should be disposing of public assets anyway. This is beside the point. The Government has always intended to return state industries to the private sector, for reasons which have nothing to do with public finance. Thirdly, worries about the loss of income ignore the fact that these companies' profits will not simply vanish: they will be transformed into a mixture of shareholders' income and corporate and personal tax payments.

Now, however, we come to the critical issues: how asset sales should appear in the books, and how they should affect budget policy. It is patently absurd to class them as "negative spending", and Mr Lawson should abandon the pretence that he has stuck to his public spending target. The underlying total for 1986-87 has been increased by about £2½ billion. Departmental allocations, indeed, have been increased by a further £2 billion since the last spending White Paper, because the contingency reserve has been reduced – but this does not raise total spending unless the Chancellor now fails to keep within his reserve.

The Chancellor can defend this slippage by arguing that it has, in one sense, already occurred: higher-than-expected inflation this year has pushed up the baseline for public spending calculations too, so that the new figures represent just as tight a squeeze between that year and next as was originally intended. The real question is what policy would look like if asset sales were not available to paper the public spending cracks in this way.

The signals beaming out of government this past weekend have represented privatization as a way of financing popular projects like hospital building, which implies that if public accounts were properly constructed (ie, sales of assets did not feature in spending totals) the Government would have felt able to spend less. This makes no sense, even if it is a political answer to complaints that our inheritance is being flogged off, since most people consider public money to be better invested in modern, efficient hospitals than ideological state ownership of British Gas . What the Chancellor is of course trying to do is avoid the suggestion that asset sales are financing tax cuts, which are not as popular as they were in 1979.

For this the Government is partly to blame, because its attitude to income tax reduction and reform has been erratic. But whether tax cuts or extra spending are more popular, the same question applies: should a permanent reduction in tax revenue, of a permanent increase in expenditure, be balanced in one year's books by extra one-off receipts from asset sales?

This question cannot, however, be answered without also considering what is happening to public borrowing, which most of the Chancellor's critics steadfastly refuse to do. For if it is wrong to balance spending of income tax cuts by asset sales, it is equally wrong to meet the cost by borrowing – which in a precisely comparable way brings in a one-off capital sum at the cost of a continuous future burden of interest charges.

When the government first began to sell shares in state industries in a big way, the Treasury responded to this argument by offsetting part of the proceeds by a cut in public borrowing. If Mr Nigel Lawson does not do so again in the next budget, hsi critics will be entitled to say that he has ased up budgetary policy a little – and we are all meanwhile entitled to complain that he is refusing to give us the information on which to make that judgement right now. But a complaint about easier policy comes very oddly from many of those wringing their hands over the disposal of the state's antiques.

Sarah Hogg
Economics Editor

Support grows for 'managed float' of exchange rates

From Bailey Morris, Washington

The first Congressional "summit" on exchange rates and the dollar opens in Washington today, laying the groundwork for what its sponsors hope will be a global drive toward international monetary reform.

Monetary experts from round the world are attending the three-day meeting, which will conclude with a report for the West's seven-nation economic summit conference to be held in Tokyo in the spring.

Mirroring the growing concern of the global imbalances caused by the over valued dollar, the meeting will attempt to answer the important question: is the world ready for a new "Bretton Woods" monetary conference similar to the one which created the post-war system of exchange rates

Topics on the formal agenda



Jack Kemp: trade deficit is ruining US economy

at the meeting, to be addressed by officials from the United States, Britain, Japan, West Germany, Italy and other nations include: the group of five monetary accord; the first 50 days, where do we go in 1986?; is the present system of floating exchange rates working?; is there political consensus for substansive reform?; what should the exchange rate system look like in five years' time?

The conference is heavily political in tone, and there is one common denominator – a growing dissatisfaction with the 14-year-old system of floating rates.

But the participants and sponsors, led by two US presidential contenders, Mr Jack Kemp, a Republican congressman from New York, and Mr Bill Bradley, a Democratic senator from New Jersey, are divided on how to replace it.

Mr Kemp, who believes that the dollar-related trade deficit is running the American economy, heads a group of "goldbugs" who want to return to a system of fixed exchange rates. There is little international support for this position, however.

Mr Bradley advocates more aggressive intervention to control currencies in the manner agreed by the Group of Five at a special meeting in New York on September 22. "The present system is not working or we would not have $150 bn trade deficit," he said.

A consensus appears to be growing round the view expressed by the new team at the US Treasury and their European counterpart that the world should move toward a "managed float" of exchange rates through coordinated intervention bolstered by coordinated fiscal policies.

This will be the view articulated by Mr Richard Darman, Deputy US Treasury Secretary, and Herr Helmut Schlesinger, vice-president of the Bundesbank.

But whether the political will exists to take the necessary fiscal steps – economic stimulation in Europe and Japan and Budget deficit in the US – is not known.

Minister unlikely to save Gartcosh

By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

The Government has set its face firmly against a reprieve for the Gartcosh steel rolling mill in Lanarkshire despite the growing clamour from all sides, including Scottish Conservative MPs, for its retention.

This is the message expected from Mr Peter Morrison, Minister for Industry, when he gives evidence on the Gartcosh closure on Wednesday.

Politicians, trade unionsts and church leaders have all spoken out against the closure, which will cause 700 job losses and which the British Steel Corporation said in August was an essential part of its continuing restructuring programme.

There is a widespread fear in Scotland that the closure will spell eventual doom for the nearby Ravenscraig works, the most isolated of the BSC's five integrated steel works, which the Government had decreed should stay open for at least another three years.

Mr Morrison is certain to stress to the Select Committee that Gartcosh has no relevance to the future of Ravenscraig and his belief that the matter is for the BSC to decide.

Continuing unrest over Gartcosh is believed to have spurred the Prime Minister to take a tough line over the new, controversial steel pact between the European Economic Commission and the United States. The deal, as revealed in *The Times* on Saturday, is in danger of collapse because of strong protests from the British Government.

It is feared that because a dispute over trade in semi-finished steel products remains unresolved, unilateral US restrictions could be imposed and this could hit the supply by the BSC's Teeside works of steel slabs to a new mill in which it has a minority stake in Alabama.

Although the steel accounts for only about 10 per cent of Teesside's output, any additional threat of British Steel jobs is being regarded as politically unacceptable.

Wednesday's hearing also coms after the report in the summer from the Commons Trade and Industry Select Committee which called for a moratorium on all steel closures. The report, published before the announcement of the Gartcosh closure, said the BSC should retain as many options as possible.

Old books seek £1m backing

By Lawrence Lever

What heve Miss World, an antiquarian bookshop and a hotel for the homeless in common? Answer: they are all the latest ideas for tempting investors to put their money into unquoted companies launched under the Business Expansion Scheme.

Miss World Clubs is looking for up to £1.3 million to set up a chain of health and beauty clubs to be managed by Miss World, the leisure group – quoted on the Unlisted Securities Market.

By way of contrast, Park Hotels is aiming to provide bed and breakfast accomodation for homeless clients of local authorities.

Coming from the stable of Johnson Fry, which has so far raised nearly £21 million under the BES, it is certainly the most creative venture this prolific BES sponsor has launched.

But pride of place for imagination must go to Frew Mackenzie, which represents the antiquarian book trade's first venture into raising capital via the BES.

The company is looking to raise a minimum of £250,000, and has set £1 million as a maximum subscription level.

The main trading activity will be dealing in antiquarian books, although there will be a sideline in new and second hand ones.

Mr Julian Mackenzie Mackenzie, one of the two Cambridge graduate managing directors of the company demonstrates – with an original Johnson's dictionary and a signed copy of Ulysses (first edition – how antiquarian books go up steadily in price.

The Johnson would fetch about £3000 compared with between £1000 and £1500 five years ago. Ulysses was now worth £7000 against £3000 "a few years ago", said Mr Mackenzie.

The managing directors have several years experience in the field and have been in partnership since 1977.

ITC wants to end crisis by winding down buffer stock

By Michael Prest, Financial Correspondent

Members of the International Tin Council still prefer to resolve the tin crisis by an orderly winding down of its buffer stock, although no conclusion is expected from the ITC meeting next Thursday.

Winding up the buffer stock in a way which limits members' liabilities would be a last resort.

When the 22 ITC members meet they should have a full audit, showing each member's obligations. The buffer stock holds 63,000 tonnes.

A proposal for an orderly winding down of the buffer stock may come from Thailand, Malaysia and Indonesia

Uncertainty about where they stand has held back several of the leading ITC consumer members from committing themselves to a solution.

Britain has said it will pay its share of 4 per cent. Of the producers, only Thailand has committed itself to paying, but other producers are thought willing.

It is accepted at the ITC that a winding-down is essential and inevitable. The sixth international tin agreement, administered by the council, says the buffer stock should operate until funds have been exhausted.

That moment came on October 24 when Mr Pieter de Koning, the buffer stock manager, told the London Metal Exchange that operations would be suspended "indefinitely".

Tin trading on the LME has been suspended since then. The ITC has positions worth about £500 million with LME brokers and other tin traders, and owes another £300 million to a group of banks and metal traders.

But on Friday, the LME announced that tin trading would resume a week today. The decision attracted a stiff response from the ITC and its creditor banks. They feel there has to be an agreement before trading resumes.

In their view such an agreement should be the outcome of a tripartite discussion between the ITC, the banks, and the LME. Such an agreement could be based on the LME limiting members' losses.

Civil engineers gloomy on future

The civil engineering industry, which today publishes new evidence of deteriorating order books and poor employment prospects, has renewed its attack on the Government for its alleged lack of spending on the nation's infrastructure, Our Industrial Correspondent writes.

The October workload survey by the Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors shows that the majority of the 420-member companies see little prospect of increasing business or jobs in the next 12 months given the Government's present policy of public sector capital spending.

The survey shows that 89 per cent of the companies have work on their books at the present against 91 per cent in July, 34 per cent said their order books were worse than a year ago and a third said their level of plant utilization was unsatisfactory.

The federation said: "The current practice of Government spokesmen of quoting isolated examples of construction work which have received additional funding in recent years cannot hide the inescapable conclusion that public investment in the infrastructure has declined since the Government came to power

Wall St rise to continue, analysts say

From Mike Graham
New York

Wall Street analysts are cautiously optimistic about last week's record-breaking Dow Jones industrial average and many believe the trend will continue.

Mr Robert Farrell, of Merrill Lynch, Pierce Fenner & Smith, believes the market will reach 1450 by the end of next year. Last Wednesday, the close passed the 1400 mark at 1403.44.

Mr Farrell says this is a good time for the long-term investor. He sees the Dow reaching 200 by 1988.

Analysts say the figures indicate that the American economy will grow faster next year and that there is hope that interest rates will start falling, causing more spending.

£70m drive to halt fuel waste

By David Young
Energy Correspondent

Mr Peter Walker, the Secretary of State for Energy, will on Wednesday tell senior managers from more than 2,000 British companies how they can help prevent £7 billion worth of energy being wasted next year.

The department is launching a £70 million campaign to persuade industry and householders to reduce energy waste. An advertising campaign, mostly paid for by the gas, oil, coal and electricity industries, will show how waste can be stopped.

Mr Walker will switch on big electronic advertising signs in London, Manchester, Birmingham, Leeds, Bristol and Glasgow which will change every two-and-a-half seconds to indicate another pound has been added to the estimated annual energy waste.

By December 31, the eve of Energy Efficiency Year, the signs will show a total of £7 billion being wasted. "This scandal must cease", Mr Walker said.

Mr Walker said: "In Energy Efficiency Year 1986 we want every boss in every business, every local authority chairman, every government department, every householder, to find out how much energy is being wasted and make the decision to see it ended."

Bank curbs to be lifted

Wellington (Reuter). – New Zealand is to remove restrictions on the number of banks, local or foreign, able to operate in the country. It is also reinforcing the supervisory powers of its reserve bank.

New banks will be required to have issued capital of NZ$30 million (£12 million), with at least NZ$15 million paid-up, and show demonstrable banking expertise with firm controls against undue loan concentration.

There will be no other limits on the number of institutions able to qualify for bank status or the period in which they may apply for a banking licence.

● The number of United States bank failures this year has reached 100 with one bank in Iowa and another in Texas going into receivership.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

Friday's close and change on week

FT Ind Ord	1082.5 (+11.9)
FT All Share	676.10 (+3.95)
FT Govt Securities	83.29 (–0.54)
FT-SE 100	1390.1 (+11.2)
Bargains	25,920
Datastream USM	107.20 (–2.89)
New York	
Dow Jones	1404.36 (+14.11)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	12,851.05 (–42.95)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1722.38 (+41.73)
Amsterdam: Gen	230.7 (+4.2)
Sydney: AO	1012.5 (+6.3)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1755.0 (–15.3)
Brussels:	
General	826.06 (–11.79)
Paris: CAC	227.7 (+6.7)
Zurich:	
SKA General	455.00 (+11.4)

GOLD

London fixing:
am $322.10 pm–$321.95
close $322–322.50 (£227–227.50)
New York:
Comex $324.50

CURRENCIES

Friday's close and change on week

London:
£: $1.4175 (–0.02)
£: DM 3.7158(–0.0388)
£: SwFr 3.0547(–0.0237)
£: FFr 11.3202(–0.1223)
£: Yen 290.65(–10.21)
£ Index: 79.5(–0.9)

New York:
£: $1.4215
$: DM 2.6207
$ Index: 129.6(+0.2)
ECU £0.594342
SDR £0.753026

BOARD MEETINGS

MONDAY: Interims – Amersham International, Avana group, Business Mortgages Trust, Ecclesiastical Insurance Office, Outwich Investment Trust, Reed Publishing Holdings. Finals – Lucas Industries.

TUESDAY: Interims – Anglo American Coal Group, Consolidated Company Bulfontein Mine, DDT Group, De La Rue, Great Portland Estates, Griqualand West Diamond Company, Unilever (third Quarter), NV (third quarter). Finals – Imperial Cold Storage and Supply Majedie Investmments, Microfilm Reprographics, Scottish National Trust, Yarrow.

WEDNESDAY: Interims – Allied Irish Banks, Brown Shipley Holdings, Commercial Union Assurance, Ecobric Holdings, External Investment Trust, General Accident Fire and Life Assurance (third quarter), A Goldberg, Land Securities, London Trust, Plantation Trust, Regalian Properties, Tesco, Valor, Ultramar (third quarter). Finals – New Court Trust, Redfearn National Glass, Smiths Industries, Smiths International, Wade Potteries.

THURSDAY: Interims – Bank of England, Capital Gearing Trust, L M Ericsson, John Foster and Son, Henderson Administration, LCP Holdings, Mitchell Somers, Robert Moss, Novo Industri (third quarter), Plessey (second quarter), Royal Insurance, Scantronic, Staveley Industries, Thorpac. Finals – Bellway, M J. Gleeson, LWT Holdings, Moss Advertising Group, National Bank of Australia.

FRIDAY: Interims – Accis Jewellery, Amalgamated Financial Investments, Delyn Packaging, Hartwells Group, R Smallshaw (Knitwear). Finals – Barton Transport, Black Arrow Group, Sonic.

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UNLISTED SECURITIES

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross Div yld pence	%	P/E
8,312,000	A & M Gp	17	-1½			
4,671,000	ATA Selection	50	-4	2.1e	4.3	13.5
5,150,000	Aaronite	69	+16	4.6	6.7	7.4
7,206,000	ABDApparel	110	+7	3.6	3.2	16.4
7,440,000	Aberdeen Sit Hse	118	+7	3.6	3.2	14.9
26.4m	Acsas Satellite	154	-6	4.3	2.8	28.1
31.2m	Acorn Comp	48	-13			3.4
1,469,000	Acrolo	27	-2			14.4
2,250,000	Adam Leisure	9	-1	1.4e	15.5	1.2
22.5m	Addison Page	200	-10	3.5	1.8	30.5
8,796,000	Air Call	195	-5	8.5	4.3	9.7
76.4m	Akzo	322	+5	16.0	5.0	21.2
16.8m	Alphameric	116	+6	1.9	1.6	22.4
7,770,000	Appletree	148	-5	3.5	2.4	14.5
22.5m	Apo Holographics	220	-15			
	Do Wrnts	178	-15			
11.4m	Aspen Comms	170	-3	3.7e	2.2	21.9
70.2m	Aspinall	136	+5	4.5	3.2	12.8
20.8m	Aspray	448	+30	9.6	2.1	12.8
1,791,000	Astron Energy	25		1.4	5.7	7.3
13.1m	Assoc Steel	183	+3	17.4b	9.2	10.5
2,928,000	Astrocaptic	68		6.6	12.7	14.7
4,529,000	BTG Grp	195		5.5	2.8	10.6
6,788,000	Bedford (William)	145		6.4b	4.5	
7,089,000	Bennett & Fountain	11½		0.6	5.2	16.5
1,920,000	Bestwave Corps	4½				4.8
7,342,000	Berisford & Hay	5½	-½			
13.8m	Berkeley Exp	73	-1			
28.6m	Berkeley Gp	220		6.1	2.8	16.4
3,209,000	Bio Isolates	25				
1,754,000	Biomechanics	12				
4,589,000	Blanchards	211	-14	2.9e	3.5	12.7
22.5m	Blue Arrow	178	-14	5.9e	3.5	20.3
11.6m	Bluebird Toys	195	-15	4.5	2.3	28.0
41.2m	Body Shop	853	-15½	3.6	0.5	68.2
5,205,000	Brailsford	154	-16	2.5	2.6	16.0
3,672,000	Brewmaker	214	+1	11.1	5.7	11.2
11.3m	Bristol	236	+10	5.7	2.4	16.8
5,227,000	Brixt	135	-6			
9,135,000	Britannia Sec	77	-1	1.8	2.3	15.7
8,931,000	Br Bloodstock	240		11.4	4.8	16.4
6,080,000	Brown (Charles)	191		3.6	3.8	16.2
6,656,000	Bryant (Derek)	280		11.9	3.9	9.8
	Bula Resources	4½				
1,178,000	Business Comp	29	-5			5.1
3,626,000	CCA Galleries	98		2.4b	3.5	
12.6m	CH Lilleker	149		2.0	1.4	14.8
8,151,000	CPS Comp	38		1.4	4.3	4.8
3,463,000	CPU Comp	21	-6	2.0e	9.5	3.5
16.7m	CVD	350	-15			
———	Caledonian Off	280				
10.1m	Cannon Street Inv	90	+10			
3,139,000	Carwermoor	178	-2	8.2	6.8	15.4
2,187,000	Castle (C.H.)	18	-4	4.1e	21.5	1.9
45.8m	Central TV	236	-2	15.0	7.3	8.2
4,600,000	Checkpoint Europe	115	-5			
278,000	Chem Methods	8	-1	3.0	37.5	
1,247,000	Cifer	9	-1			12
3,165,000	Chrysalis	80	-1	1.0	1.7	5.8
6,994,000	City Site	135		1.2p	0.9	
2,750,000	Do 14%	110		2.8	2.6	
21.7m	Clapham Props	220	-20			
2,218,000	Clogau Gold	16				
11.9m	Cluff Oil Hdgs	28	-2			
21.7m	Cobra Emerald	69	-8			
12.0m	Coloren Inc	108				
3,882,000	Comp Financial	118	-2	2.9	2.4	21.7
3,948,000	Compsoft	32	-25	2.9	9.0	3.9
8,371,000	Consortia	84	+10	0.5	0.5	20.3
3,038,000	Core Tem Invs	60		7.1b	11.9	6.4
8,846,000	Corel Microwave	348	-15	5.7	1.6	23.5
6,614,000	Cowells	90		3.7	4.1	13.1
13.3m	Counter Products	130		2.5e	1.9	20.3
4,480,000	Crampharn	310	+35	7.4	2.4	16.9
4,560,000	Cranbrook	80		2.1	2.6	15.5
3,991,000	Craton Lodge	70	-15	2.9b	3.6	15.0
9,791,000	Crown Intl	103		5.0	4.9	31.2
4,029,000	CSE Tech	43	+2			16.6
9,255,000	DDT	143		1.4	1.0	15.1
960,000	DJ Sec Alarms	55		1.9	3.4	8.1
9,925,000	Dares Park Hotels	61				
1,680,000	De Brett (Andre)	21	-1			2.0
11.3m	Datran	75	+2	1.4	1.9	16.8
2,491,000	Delmar	42	+1	2.6	6.2	11.4
14.2m	Dencora	112	-2	2.9e	2.6	14.8
3,700,000	Dennens Elec	60		5.0	5.8	6.8
8,482,000	Dewey Warren	156	-5	10.7	6.4	13.8
19.7m	Druck	315		5.1	1.6	21.4
2,660,000	Dunton	19	-2	0.3	1.5	14.8
465,000	Do 12%	280	-17	17.1	6.1	
6,095,000	Ealing Elect Optic	105	-3			
1,221,000	Ecobric	14	-1	0.7p	5.1	14.8
41.3m	Edin Fund	275	-1	7.1	2.6	23.2
2,772,000	Edin Secs	28	-2	0.2e	0.8	
18.5m	Elbridge Pope 'A'	242	+3	7.4	3.1	14.5
6,250,000	Electron House	125	+5	3.2	2.1	19.8
4,791,000	Electronic Data P	72		2.3e	3.1	11.0
16.6m	Enviro	31	-3			
926,000	Entertainment Prod	13		1.4	11.0	6.5
11.2m	Equipu	185	-13	6.4	3.9	8.8
2,355,000	Esperia Finance	30		1.9	6.2	16.4
960,000	Do 8%	270		800	17.4	
15.7m	Fit	130	+5			
4,850,000	Fed Chem	176	+4	9.5	1.4	31.4
5,987,000	Fed Housing	35	+4	4.4	8.1	6.7
7,805,000	Feedback	71		3.9	5.5	22.9
17.8m	Fergusson	30	-3	4.6	15.2	2.5
18.5m	Finntech	21	-1			8.4
9,379,000	Flogas	93	-5	2.6		
	Floyd Oil	50	-3			20.4

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35.8m	French Com	235		7.5	3.2	11.7
21.8m	Freshbake	73	+3	2.4	3.1	44.1
24.8m	Fuller Smith 'A'	410	+5	9.2	2.2	18.4
6,480,000	Gabbitas	108		4.6	4.2	15.4
42.8m	Garfunkels	132	-1	6.8	5.2	21.1
42.8m	Garfunkels Rest	132	-1	6.8	5.2	21.1
1,592,000	Gauci (Fintans)	94	+2			5.8
2,600,000	Geoffrisons	38		2.1	5.6	14.9
372,000	Gibbon Lyons	68		5.5	7.4	12.4
7,453,000	Gibbs Mew	135		6.7	2.7	43.8
4,611,000	Gilbert House	96		10.7	4.4	58.0
2,880,000	Global Gp	72		2.5	1.5	20.5
9,121,000	Gowrie Warren	170	+2	2.5	1.5	20.5
7,748,000	Goodhead Print	184		4.2p	2.1	11.2
2,319,000	Gould (Lawrence)	102		4.9	4.3	10.5
600,000	Greenwich Dublis	12				
13.0m	Grosvenor Sq	165		6.6b	4.0	8.4
1,100,000	Guernsey Allastic	39		3.6	1.8	61.8
1,440,000	HB Steel	38		1.8	4.8	12.3
37.3m	Hadson Pet	48				47.3
6,897,000	Hampden Hopecare	94		2.1p	2.2	13.5
22.2m	Hanimex	121		2.7	2.4	11.8
8,427,000	Harvey & Thorp	145		5.7	3.9	18.0
9,800,000	Hawtlock Europe	118		2.5	2.1	27.6
4,600,000	Hewett Whiting	250		10.6	4.2	15.3
3,850,000	Hewitt Cons	97		1.1p	1.5	43.7
2,146,000	Hexeflex	36		10.7	2.7	28.7
9,312,000	Do 'A LV'	36		10.7	3.5	20.6
16.5m	Hide-Fenty	430	-30	8.7	1.3	21.7
7,820,000	Highland Part	158				
1,455,000	Hobson	74				
2,200,000	Hoggan Rowers	118		2.1	5.1	6.1
4,600,000	Holdfast Hydrowear	110		1.7	1.4	21.0
13.4m	Holmes & Marchant	335				
24.7m	Horne (Robert)	171		3.9	2.3	15.7
28.2m	Do 'A'	171		3.9	2.3	15.7
20.7m	Howard Group	178		6.0	3.4	12.4
2,584,000	Howbrad Elec	11		0.6p	2.9	11.6
18.5m	Hunter Saphir	118		2.5	2.1	12.9
19.8m	Hunterprint	235		6.7p	2.9	12.4
	Hunterprint Brit	235		9.5	3.6	
19.1m	Hyrogh Tech	220		2.1b	1.0	32.6
5,028,000	ICC Oil	118				4.4
7,643,000	INSTEM	170	-5	2.1	1.3	19.7
2,000,000	Imsec	83		5.0	10.0	2.5
8,894,000	Ind Fin & Inv	118	-10	5.0	4.3	12.7
5,040,000	Ind Sect Energy	175				9.8
27.8m	Infra Red	68		0.5	0.7	48.1
17.8m	Interscope Tech	235	-5	7.7	3.2	17.2
1,473,000	Innovation	170				5.0
224,000	Do 7%	28	-½			
18.0m	Int (Mark L)	29½	-1½	0.9e	2.5	22.0
4,578,000	J&D Comp	84		5.5	3.9	18.8
957,000	Jaygiant	27		0.4	1.3	13.3
5,780,000	Jobserve	38	-15			12
2,788,000	Johnson & Jorg	103		6.4	6.2	13.9
7,875,000	Johnsonmen Paints	76	-10	5.7	7.5	8.7
4,125,000	Just Rubber	55		2.5p	4.5	9.8
18.8m	KLP	260		3.9	1.5	28.2
5,800,000	Kent (John)	98	-1	5.4	5.5	14.7
5,548,000	Kenyon Sece	276		15.4	5.6	17.2
4,500,000	Kewill Systems	90		1.7	2.1	16.6
12.5m	Kwik-Fitlink	180		1.4b	1.8	16.4
4,346,000	LPA Ind	78	-5	4.9	6.1	10.1
2,902,000	Ladbew	34		2.5p	10.5	8.9
4,576,000	Ladbew Thomson	118		5.0	4.8	11.8
5,473,000	Ladbroke Inv	222				17.2
8,625,000	Lawrence	108		3.6	5.1	11.2
5,100,000	Lon & Clydesde	88	-1	1.4b	2.1	18.9
5,600,000	Lonrho Elec	152		2.5	2.2	13.6
2,554,000	Lyndale Pet	190	-30	4.5	2.7	8.9
5,147,000	Microvitec	30	-5	1.8	6.0	8.1
2,926,000	Midland Marts	78	-3	5.7	7.3	10.5
15,150,000	Midsummer Inns	260	+15	2.1	0.7	
6,573,000	Miles 33	315		9.2e	2.9	16.3
4,290,000	Mint World	220	+11	5.3	2.4	15.8
———	Mintech	18	+1			
7,300,000	Moorgate Gp	148	-4	2.0	1.4	28.1
1,350,000	Morley (Pb)	36		2.1	5.9	16.4
8,275,000	Morris (William)	220½	+1			10.6
3,430,000	Moss Advertising	89		3.5e	3.9	12.5
15.1m	NMW Comp	280	+10	7.6	2.7	21.5
15.1m	Nationwide Leisure	72	+1	5.4b	7.4	6.5
9,867,000	New Ct Nat Res	28	+2	2.4	8.1	7.7
	Do Wrnts	6				
4,126,000	New England Props	18				8.7
935,000	Do 10%	225		1000	11.8	
13.7m	Nimslo	132½	-2			
12.1m	Norcain	175		1.7	1.0	16.3
8,808,000	Norscot Hotels	98	+4	3.4b	3.5	13.9
19.1m	Nth Sea & Gen	73	-5			42.0

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14.4m	Northamber	195	+25	1.4	0.7	13.6
4,691,000	Oilfield Inspec	65		2.9	4.4	65.6
	Optomechan	28	+2			
14.0m	Osborne & Little	201	+1			30.7
11.8m	Owners Abroad	295		12e	4.0	8.9
4,437,000	PCT	156	-5	4.6	2.9	11.4
6,701,000	Pacer Systems	150	+10			
3,150,000	Pacific Sales	65		4.5	6.9	7.8
5,400,000	Pantheretic	135		8.0	5.7	14.4
14.7m	Parkfield Fndry	155	+5	3.4	1.8	41.2
1,089,000	Paul M Leis	15				6.8
89.2m	Pendon	210				
13.1m	Penny & giles	145		2.5	1.8	16.8
19.7m	Pepe Group	82		4.3	5.1	10.8
3,675,000	Perkins	82		2.9e	3.5	5.6
19.9m	Petrocon (J)	9½	-½			
3,180,000	Peters (Micheel)	38		5.7	1.5	23.0
3,180,000	Petrogen	9½				
7,621,000	Piccadilly Radio	29		2.7	15.8	15.4
6,778,000	Pict Pet	48				7.3
1,466,000	Pineapple Dance	38		2.1	5.4	18.8
1,870,000	Pitt Invest	45		2.5	5.1	16.2
1,849,000	Pleasnet	45		4.5	10.2	4.9
6,395,000	Platon	145		4.9	2.8	11.6
16.5m	Polypipe	158				12.9
17.8m	Prench Marine	38		1.1	2.9	27.8
18.5m	Powerline	138		2.8	1.7	18.7
12.7m	Precision Eng	28		2.8p	3.3	18.0
7,288,000	Premier Fds	98		1.8e	2.4	17.8
12.0m	Prestigelot	110		2.6	1.8	28.5
2,367,000	Property Tst 10p	9½				
1,103,000	Property Tst 6p	5½				
2,948,000	Prosser	118		1.5	0.7	11.8
1,870,000	Quantel	158		5.6	3.5	13.8
986,000	Radio City 'A'	45		2.0p	4.4	3.5
1,721,000	Radio Clyde	118		4.5	3.8	12.6
7,242,000	Ralph Oil	11		1.0	9.1	11.0
3,631,000	Ramus	68		2.5	3.1	12.4
4,650,000	Real Time Control	118		2.9	4.3	22.3
3,150,000	Record Motor	118				33.3
1,250,000	Redin (Old)	38		0.1	0.3	12.4
2,073,000	Rollo & Nolan	118		5.7	7.1	7.8
6,868,000	Rotaflo (G)	158		5.7	3.6	33.3
72.8m	SCUBA	118		5.8	10.7	17.8
3,300,000	Sangers Photo	118		2.9	2.7	8.3
15.8m	Sapphire Pet	38				
4,595,000	Scimro	118		4.5	3.8	48.1
11.0m	Scotcards	105		1.9	1.7	24.1
23.4m	Scot Heritable	118		4.5	3.8	11.2
4,600,000	Securiguard	118		2.4	2.0	8.8
1,200,000	Select TV	11				
7,430,000	Shandwick	170		3.5	2.1	21.3
25.7m	Share Drug Stre	258		2.4	0.9	48.7
4,680,000	Sheldon Jones	118		6.0	5.0	8.8
17.7m	Sheraton Sec	27½		0.7	2.5	10.8
6,228,000	Sherwood Comp	178		3.9b	2.2	
3,453,000	Sirra Catering	148		3.8	2.6	22.0
3,962,000	Skipton (Wm Ind)	138		7.5	5.4	6.1
5,468,000	Sloans Food	148		3.5	2.4	18.9
17.8m	Slim Bus Lease	115		2.5	2.1	8.0
15.1m	SW Resources	28		1.9	2.1	6.1
3,534,000	Spider Tele	98		2.2	2.1	14.0
3,586,000	Spectre Auto	68		3.4	5.0	13.3
1,731,000	Spectrum	13		2.8	18.1	17
18.7m	Sphygmo	84		2.4	2.8	18.8
3,500,000	Stakeless Metal	78		6.5	7.7	17.8
381,000	Stanelco	28				42.4
12.5m	Stat-Plus	178		2.8	2.0	22.4
2,830,000	Street Gp	118		5.4	4.3	15.8
1,720,000	Sunleigh Elect	7½		0.4	4.8	15.8
14.4m	Sutherland (ET)	38		4.9	8.1	17.2
1,479,000	Swindon Pr Hosp	105				25.9
6,512,000	Synopse Comp	158		2.1	1.2	22.4
13.8m	T & S Stores	158		2.8	2.3	26.7
4,350,000	Tandem Comp	103		5.9	5.2	
6,484,000	Thames	78		1.4e	2.0	5.3
23.7m	Vatin Pollen	490		3.4	0.7	68.4
6,696,000	Vinyloo	73		1.8	2.5	1.8
6,750,000	Wayne Kerr	88		2.1	2.3	
6,125,000	Webster Electro	135		3.1	2.3	20.0
2,749,000	Welpac	15		0.6	2.8	12.1
9,592,000	Wetherton's Foods	98		2.9	3.0	10.3
650,000	Wilsins Syst	5½				13.7
1,575,000	William (Hen) Hdgs	17½	-1	1.3	7.5	7.8
16.6m	Wingate	122	-3	2.5	2.0	50.6
14.8m	Wolf	69	-5	2.5	3.6	
13.4m	Wyko	78	+2	3.4	4.5	11.4
	Xylkyr	4	-1½			
13.2m	Yellowhammer	128		2.5	1.8	16.7
2,811,000	Yellowstone	35				10.3
1,360,000	York Mount	34	-2	2.6	10.3	9.7
900,000	Zygal Dynamics	18	-2			2.5

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Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross Div yld pence	%	P/E
49.2m	Alba	98	+3½	2.8	2.8	
327.8m	Alliance	660		16.0	1.9	4.8
103.4m	Amer Trust	126	+1	4.3	3.4	
161.5m	Ang Amer Sec	283	+7	8.1	2.9	
44.9m	Archdown	137	+1	4.2b	3.1	
129.7m	Atlantic Assets	106		0.8	0.7	
78.7m	Bankers	99	-6	3.5b	3.5	
53.2m	Berry	188	+3	1.5	0.8	
171.2m	Border & Sthrn	176	+3	5.1	2.9	
295.4m	Br Assets	214		10.9b	5.1	
32.5m	Br Empire Sec	32	+1½	1.3	4.0	
283.4m	British Inv	374	+6	20.3	5.4	
52.5m	Brunner	82	+2	3.1b	3.8	
68.9m	Charter Agency	86	+2	3.3b	3.8	
109.3m	Continental	645	+5	30.0b	4.7	
49.5m	Crescent Japan	147	+8	1.1	0.8	
40.4m	Delta	280				
13.2m	Derby Inc	112	+2	10.9	9.7	
14.8m	Do Cap	115	+3			
111.1m	Drayton Cons	328	+1	13.4b	4.1	
22.7m	Drayton Far East	135	+1	1.8	1.2	
114.3m	Drayton Japan	423	+12	3.6e	0.8	
158.5m	Drayton Premier	514	+2	20.7b	4.0	
31.8m	Dundee Lon	188	+5	7.4b	4.0	
78.4m	Edin Amer Asset	98	+1	0.6	0.6	
334.8m	Edinburgh	1117	-6	45.6	4.0	
52.5m	Electric Gen	282	+8	5.1	1.8	
27.5m	English Int	155	+1	5.0	3.7	
61.4m	English Scot	77		1.9	2.4	
66.8m	English NY	106	+½	3.6	3.3	
36.8m	F & C Alliance	87	+2	2.4	2.5	
78.5m	F&C Pacific	148	+12	1.8b	1.2	
19.3m	Fleming	285	-3	11.3b	4.0	
69.9m	First Scot Amer	282	+10	12.9b	4.6	
———	First Un Con	80	-10	5.7	10.9	
78.8m	Fleming American	465	+17	7.5	1.6	
28.6m	Fleming Clover	280	+8	12.6	4.4	
28.6m	Fleming Enterprise	286	+8	12.1	4.2	
124.7m	Fleming Far East	82½	+2½	1.4	1.7	
13.7m	Fleming Fledgling	109	+3	3.6	3.3	
89.2m	Fleming Japan	458	+10	5.7	1.3	
165.0m	Fleming Mercantile	128	+3½	4.3	3.4	
147.5m	Fleming Overseas	111		3.9	3.5	
56.0m	Fleming Tech	142	+5	3.3	2.3	
65.3m	Fleming Universal	380	+4	7.1	2.4	
359.9m	For Gd	66½	+2	2.0b	2.9	
———	GBC Capital	93	-7			
38.3m	GT Japan	127		2.0	1.6	
43.3m	General Funds	134	-1	2.7	2.0	

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross Div yld pence	%	P/E
51.2m	General Cons	272	+8	14.3b	5.2	
49.8m	Glasgow Stock	123		2.9b	2.4	
512.1m	Globe	304	+1	14.6	4.8	
21.3m	Greenfrar	285	+7	2.3	0.8	
10.5m	Greshem House	288	-10	6.3	2.5	
38.2m	Hambros	184	+3	6.9	3.7	
265.2m	Hill (P)	284	-6	13.6	5.2	
32.6m	Invest-In Success	533	+35	7.8	1.5	
151.5m	Inv Cap	245	+3	9.2p	2.1	
25.4m	Japan Assets	46½		0.1	0.2	
136.5m	Lake View	152	-6	3.3	2.2	
41.7m	Law Debenture	184	+1	8.6b	4.7	
129.4m	Lon Merchant Sec	91	+1	3.1	3.9	
67.8m	Lon Trust	74	+1	6.1	8.2	
106.4m	Merchants	194	+2	5.4b	5.2	
119.1m	Monks	153½	+3½	3.4b	2.2	
167.2m	Murray Income	190½	+2½	7.7	5.9	
182.5m	Murray Growth	115	+3	6.4	5.5	
181.7m	Murray Int	138	+3	6.4e	4.7	
57.2m	Murray Smlr	208	+5	8.7	4.2	
32.4m	Murray Venture	312	+15	7.8	2.5	
19.7m	New Court	393	+10	20.4	5.2	
6,701,000	New Darien Oil	67		0.5	0.7	
62.0m	1825	178	+3	6.7	3.9	
19.6m	Nwthrop Inc 88	50	+1½	4.2p	8.4	
39.5m	Nth Atlantic	183	+1	4.8	2.6	
49.3m	Nth Atlantic Sec	267	+1	4.8	1.7	
9,120,000	Nth Sea Assets	78	+1	0.7	0.9	
	Nthn Amer	282	+4	7.7b	2.8	
73.2m	Outwich	148	+1	4.3	3.0	
	Pacific Assets	75	-1			
	Do Wrnts	34				
6,122,000	Personal Assets	41	+½	0.3	0.7	
83.3m	Raeburn	349	+25	14.1b	4.0	
68.1m	River & Merc	144	+1	7.3b	5.1	
38.7m	River Plate	284	+4	10.7	4.6	
———	Robeco	196	+3			
———	Rolinco	170	+3			
78.7m	Romney	279	+27	6.8b	2.4	
2,250.0m	Rorento	211½	+½			
39.5m	St Andrews	115	+2	4.0b	3.5	
249.1m	Scottish	234	+3	7.8	2.7	
153.2m	Scot American	274	+7	8.4	3.1	
181.1m	Scot Eastern	90½	+1½	2.9b	3.2	
282.8m	Scot Mtge	265	+12	10.7b	2.7	
154.8m	Scot Nat	245	+8	8.4b	3.5	
12.2m	Scot Merc 'A'	380	+8	20.0	5.3	
106.9m	Second Alliance	657	+13	33.2	4.2	
111.3m	Sec Of Scotland	136	+5	6.8b	4.8	

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross Div yld pence	%	P/E
57.1m	Smaller Cos	98	+2	1.7b	2.5	
6,084,000	Stewart Ensrgy	28½		0.8	2.9	
97.8m	Stockholders	135	+5	3.6	2.9	
25.1m	Tr Australia	88	+2	3.1b	3.4	
97.5m	Tr City Of Lon Dist	102	+3	5.6b	5.5	
348.3m	Tr Ind & Gen	160	+3	5.4b	3.4	
82.4m	Tr Mercantile	210	+4	10.7	5.1	
58.3m	Tr North America	88	+2	2.5	3.0	
88.0m	Tr Pacific Basin	125	+2	1.4b	1.1	
84.8m	Tr Property	150		5.1	3.4	
186.0m	Tr Tech	89½	-1½	2.5	2.8	
133.7m	Tr Trustees	150	+5	5.4b	3.6	
80.7m	Temple Bar	141	+2	7.1b	5.1	
146.8m	Throgmorton	203	+6	10.7b	4.1	
11.8m	Throg Secured Cap	315				
54.8m	Trans Oceanic	152	+2	4.9b	3.2	
58.4m	Tribune	114	+1	3.5	2.9	
11.5m	Triplerest Inc	77	+½	14.7	19.1	
181.5m	Utd Debenture	220	+5	9.3b	4.2	
25.4m	Viking Resource	69½		1.7	2.7	
80.8m	Westpool	82	+1	2.2	2.6	
20.6m	Whitbottm Energy	88	-2	1.6b	1.2	
2260.8m	Wsm	184½	-½	2.4	1.3	
36.0m	Yeomas	284	+2	13.6b	4.8	

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———	Abrayd & Brothers	516	+70			20.0
7,182.5m	American Express	223½	+1½			
7,284,000	Argyle	54	-2			17.4
20.3m	Bclassad	82				
293.2m	Britannia Arrow	146	-6	3.7	2.5	23.2
76.4m	Daily Mail	£15½	-½	60.0	4.0	16.2
73.0m	Do 'A'

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OTC MARKET

Nasdim leads the way towards a regulated market

Birthday celebrations for the USM are getting most of the attention of people involved in the secondary share markets at the moment, but stand by for significant developments in the Over the Counter trade.

The National Association of Security Dealers and Investment Managers (Nasdim) has applied for status as a Recognised Investment Exchange, with the aim of setting up a supervised market for OTC shares. Nasdim hopes to see a proper price-setting and transactions structure for such investments in an attempt to improve regulation of the the OTC.

Given the murmurings of problems among some of the OTC market makers, it is probably one of the best suggestions yet. Nasdim wants to see that market makers have adequate capital and liquidity to offer a book in OTC stocks, and to make sure that time, price and volume of deals are reported, allowing a central quotation system just like the Big Board.

Mr John Grant, chief executive of Nasdim, said: "It's a logical progression of what we have been doing." His team has been working on rules for members of Nasdim who wish to make a market in OTC shares and has recently published its draft proposals. They cover three main topics; the information companies must provide when they join the OTC, while their shares are traded there and the information which should come from the market maker for an investor before a trade is completed.

With all this in hand, Nasdim found events at the Securities and Investments Board pushing the pace. The SIB said it wanted to set up recognised exchanges, so Nasdim has responded. "We have accelerated toward what we thought would happen", says Mr Grant.

Nasdim has set up another working party to examine every aspect of what they will need in an OTC exchange. But it is still uncertain as to when any exchange would get underway.

SIB, although already at work, has yet to be formally set up. The Parliamentary Bill doing so will be out in the next few weeks.

Mr Grant expects formal exchange status to be given next autumn, alongside the Big Bang. But there is also the chance that an exchange can begin before then, depending on how quickly Nasdim and its members can set it up. Mr Grant says he hopes to have more to say on how plans are proceeding by the end of the year.

Among the OTC stocks last week there was substantial news. **Dolamore Holdings**, the wine merchant and restaurant group, reported a turnround from a pretax loss of £824,068 in the year to March 1984 to a profit of £26,816 for 1984/5.

The company has been busily acquiring more hamburger restaurants in London and has also bought Crawford's Wine Bar in the West End of the city out of the £1.4 million rights issue and loan conversion from last autumn.

Firsttand Oil & Gas came out with a bullish statement at the end of its first year of trading, though figures were scarce. One figure which stood out was announcement that "an increase of proven petroleum reserves in America has added nearly $3 million to company assets".

Flogas has also picked up more land in the Falkland Islands, where it is the only prospecting licencee, and its American operation is reported to have made a small profit for this first year. Flogas is still a good bet say the City analysts who think they know a good prospector when they see one.

UDO Holdings, the drawing office supplies specialist which came to market just over a year ago at a 110p placing price, gets a strong "buy" recommendation from Wood, Mackenzie, its broker. The City firm says results from recent acquisitions are well ahead of expectations and there are more acquisitions to come. In addition, margins continue to improve. Though the shares stand at 245p there is plenty more mileage there.

Details of a placing of shares in Cheshire Wholefoods, a maker and distributor of healthfoods, are out tomorrow from Earnshaw Haes, broker to the issue. The company has moved from small losses back in 1981 and 1982 to a £316,000 profit in the year to March 1985, on sales growing from £793,000 in 1980/1 to £4.6 million. Some 3.1 per cent of the company will be sold through the placing at a price of around 95p-115p a share.

Corton Beach, the leisure to car dealing company whose shares are currently dealt in under rule 535 (2), is getting closer to a move up to the USM. Corton has just spent about £1 million in cash and shares to acquire a new dealership in Yorkshire, expand its Cheltenham leisure complex and add to its stake in the Lancashire Leisure Centre.

The three purchases brings Corton's potential group profits up to the £500,000 mark. That, says Mr Mike Keen, the chairman, is a major step towards a possible USM quote in 1986. Mr Keen also announced a doubling of the company's authorized share capital from £2 million to £4 million worth of ordinary shares of 10p each par value.

Pam Spooner

APPOINTMENTS

Lloyds Bank: Mr Philip Sadler has been appointed a regional director of the Greater London regional board.

Taddale Investments: Mr Roy Simmons has become group managing director.

Breakmate: Mr Philip Redfern has been made operational director.

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RUGBY UNION: FIJI FAIL TO ADD THE SPLASH OF COLOUR THEY SOUGHT AS CLIMAX TO THEIR TOUR

Wales will not be fooled by win

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

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It was not the tour climax that even the most partisan Welshman would have wanted. More than anything, Fiji wished to provide a contest, justify the attribution of full international status to the game, to end their visit with a splash of colour. But there was nowhere they could win even some measure of equality, and the score line of three goals, four tries and two penalty goals, against a solitary penalty could have been more damning had the Welsh backs played better.

I cannot imagine the Welsh selectors will be deceived by the performance at Cardiff's national stadium on Saturday into thinking that all is right with their world. They may not tinker with their pack, which created so much pressure that the Fijian locks were scarcely able to raise a gallop midway through the second half. The back row played particularly well, though the context of the game must be remembered: Fiji is a far cry from France, or even England, who provide Wales with their next opponents.

But outside Holmes, the backs played poorly, sated with possession though they were. It is all very well to stress their defensive virtues, fair, too, to suggest that some of the Fijian tackling was dangerously high and late. But in attack they kicked indifferently, and, in the case of Jonathan Davies, too often; they ran flat and the passing of the centres was poor. It would have been instructive to hear what Teuan Evans or Mark Ring made of Saturday's game: Ring, the Cardiff centre, is unlikely to play this season because of injury, but Llanelli's Evans, who has played a lot of his recent representative rugby on the wing, may be worth watching as a centre when he has recovered from the shoulder injury sustained playing for the Barbarians last month.

If Fiji were to stage anything in the way of a grand finale, their handling had to be at its best. But their confidence was damaged in the first two minutes when they lost Tuvula with concussion, Damu reverting to the wing, and amid a heavy drizzle their passing proved unwontedly fallible. They looked overawed, too, in the first half during which the match was irretrievably lost as Wales cruise to an 18–0 lead.

There was none of the swashbuckling running which has illuminated their tour. Crushed by the Welsh forward vice into tight defence, their pack conceded a pushover try after only 10 minutes and it was 25 minutes before they won their first lineout. Their only loose ball was that kicked to them by Wales and then they made such wild errors of judgement they were totally unable to attack out of defence.

They were fortunate that Cama, their centre, remained on the field. He was spoken to several times by Stephen Hilditch for late challenges and high tackles, culminating in one assault on Hadley which another referee might have considered worthy of a dismissal. By that time with 11 minutes remaining Holmes had left the field with a jarred right knee, which will keep him out of action for three weeks, to the kind of applause usually reserved for the final whistle in a victory over England.

Fiji's best moments came just after half time, when Niuqila was checked under he Welsh posts and if the ball had gone to hand their might have been a try. Thereafter, despite the unrelenting defence of Gale, Wales were the masters. Philip Davies confirmed his possession of the No 8 position, and Pickering wore the mantle of leadership after Holmes left, with complete authority.

The best of the Welsh tries was the sixth by Titley after Hadley had skipped clear on the left supported by Ackerman, and Norster has helped keep the ball alive. Had Thorburn had his kicking boots on, the margin would have been wider: at least in that respect the Fijians returned a 100 per cent record. Damu's penalty was their only scoring chance.

SCORERS: Wales: Tries: P Davies (2), Holmes, Hadley, Pickering, Titley, James **Conversions:** Thorburn (3). **Penalties:** Thorburn (2). **Fiji: Penalty:** Damu.

WALES: P H Thorburn (Neath); M H Titley (Swansea), R A Ackerman (Cardiff), B Bowen (South Wales Police), A M Hadley (Cardiff); J Davies (Neath), T D Holmes (Cardiff, capt, rep R Giles, Aberavon), J Whitefoot (Cardiff), W J James (Aberavon), I H Eidman (Cardiff), M Davies (Swansea), S J Perkins (Pontypool), R L Norster (Cardiff), D F Pickering (Llanelli), P T Davies (Llanelli).

FIJI: J Damu (St John Marist); M Nabati (Kadavu), S Lauisu (Nawaka), T Cama (Nabua), S Tuvula (Western Marine rep: J Kubu, Waimanu), A Niuqila (Nakelo), P Nawalu (St John Marist), P Volavola (Nawaka), E Rakai (Gaunavou), R Namoro (Lutu), I Finau (St Mary's), K Rakorai (Army/Navy), A Hughes (St John Marist), P Gale (Nadi), E Teleni (Army/Navy, capt).

Referee: S R Hilditch (Ireland).



Gripping moment: Tuvula of Fiji is enmeshed by Welsh arms (Photograph: Chris Cole)

Oxford light a beacon as spirit is rekindled

By Bryan Stiles

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Oxford Univ	7

Oxford University's exuberant young players lit beacon on the heights of Blackheath on Saturday that must surely have been seen down in the valleys at Ebbw Vale. They leapt with joy as they secured their first victory over first-class opposition since they beat the Welsh club a worrying three-and-a-half seasons ago.

This performance was kindled by a team spirit that will serve them well in their annual meeting with Cambridge University at Twickenham on December 10. It even looked as if they were going to achieve victory with the added bonus of not having a score recorded against them. Indeed, Oxford felt they should have been enjoying their after-match showers when Blackheath scored their consolation try as the clock indicated far more than the required 80 minutes, plus injury time, had been played. It was still a significant triumph by a try and a penalty goal to a goal.

The students' dressing room was a decidedly happy place as their captain, Neil MacDonald, a South African, revelled in the euphoria engendered by the ending of such a depressingly-long series of disappointments against first-class opposition.

All the early-season experimenting with the fresh young talent had produced a combination of players who tackled and covered with refreshing commitment. Whenever Blackheath thought they had found a gap in the frenetic final stages, a swarm of dark blue-clad players would suddenly descend to suffocate the life out of the enterprise.

It was certainly in defence that Oxford secured their most notable success and particularly in the closing minutes when Blackheath took better advantage of the high wind. The home team pack won enough possession and were supplying their backs with sufficient opportunities in that period to have secured victory. But they were harried into costly mistakes.

One of the most mistake-prone was the Blackheath fullback, Bloomfield, but he made amends with a neat try. Mchardy converted with the last kick.

Oxford will not have minded that. They were content with a victory which ended such a bleak period and they must have been pleased with the way in which their centre, White, conjured up a rare positive thrust in midfield to score their try.

SCORERS: Blackheath: Try, Bloomfield. **Conversion:** McHardy **Oxford University:** Try White. **Penalty:** Johnson.

BLACKHEATH: T Bloomfield; K Purchase, I Cokell, N Colyer, M Evans; D Slater, P McHardy, P Essenhigh, B Howe, K Rutter; M Willden, I Anderson, D Hursey, D Vaughan. S Slack.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: *S Pearson (Uppingham & Trinity); *L Phillips (Harrow & St John's); R Rydon (Sherborne & Pembroke), K White (Haberdashers' Aske's & Queen's), *R Veasey (Magdalen Sch & Merton); A Johnson (Radley & St Catherine's), G Dollar (Chaplins Zimbabwe, & Worcester); T Dingemans (Radley & Mansfield), R Glynn (Leeds & St Edmund Hall), S Ferguson (Royal Belfast Acad & St Edmund Hall), T Marvin (Radley & St Catherine's), *N MacDonald (Cape Town Univ & University), C Crane (Pontypool College & St Edmund Hall), S Griffin (Southampton Univ & University), C MacDonald (Stellenbosch Univ & University).

Referee: L Prideaux (North Midlands).
*Blue.

Wing and a prayer lift Gloucester

By David Hands

Gloucester, their three-quarter line sadly depleted, did not have very high hopes of stopping **Bath** in their John Smith's Merit Table A game at Kingsholm on Saturday. But they did, winning 15-11 thanks to the goal-kicking of Tim Smith, who, from the unaccustomed position of wing, landed three penalties and a conversion of Hamlin's try.

The Gloucester forwards held Bath's powerful pack and their back row made life awkward for Hill, who came through a testing game well. Outside him, however, Barnes was not at this best; he missed five kicks at goal and his all-round game lacked its customary authority, so though Trick scored two tries, Bath found their colours lowered for the second time this season.

Rosslyn Park beaten by Gloucester a week earlier, resumed their winning ways against **Newport** at Roehampton. The 7-4 margin was a tight enough scoreline but a creditable one for the Park, who were forced to rearrange the back five of their pack, bringing in at lock Crawley, who scored their try. A penalty by Graves proved the difference after Widdecombe scored Newport's try, brave defence holding up the Welsh club in a scoreless second half.

Wasps ran in nine tries in their 48-6 London Merit Table defeat of Saracens, who have themselves proved awkward customers this season. In divisional terms, Bates, the scrum half, enhanced his prospects and Pegler, the West Country flanker, with a residential qualification for London, had an outstanding game.

Smith, the England right wing, and Cardus, the captain, led the way for Wasps, with two tries each, while Davies from full back scored a try and kicked six conversions. A seventh hit a post, and throughout the game, there was only one penalty attempt at goal.

Another wing, Goodwin, had a field day when scoring four tries in Moseley's 36-13 defeat of **London Welsh**.

Bainbridge problem not so worrying

By Nicholas Keith

The sending-off of Steve Bainbridge for fighting while playing for **Lancashire** against **Cumbria** on Saturday will not cause the England selectors as much heartsearching as last season when he was dismissed in a club game.

England have scrapped the automatic international ban on players who had been sent off which was in operation last season. They also have more strength in depth now at lock, where Bainbridge has won 11 England caps and represented the British Lions in 1983. Wade Dooley and John Orwin are the men in possession, and there are a number of others who caught the selector's eye.

Bainbridge will not know his fate until the Lancashire disciplinary committee meets next month, but it seems certain that he will miss the Divisional matches, and Michael Weston, the chairman of the England selectors, has already said that this will be "a test case". They may wonder whether a player without the right discipline and common sense deserves an England cap and not be a liability to his international team colleagues at Twickenham, where they play their first match against Wales, or Parc des Princes, where they meet France.

As last year, Bainbridge pleaded provocation. He said: "It was not a dirty match, but a line-out near their line, when we were losing, one of their props jumped on my back. I got hold of his shirt, but he threw several punches at me. When he would not stop I hit him once and that is what the referee saw. Some Cumbrian officials were sympathetic."

Bainbridge's attitude is: "I will not be messed around. I will hit back if someone is illegally stopping me playing my game. My job is to win the ball and I have a duty to my side to see that I am not prevented, illegally, from doing that."

Without Bainbridge, Lancashire beat Cumbria at Carlisle 14-7 with late tries by Hitchin and Cotter in the last 14 minutes. However **Durham** move to the top of the North group by surprising Yorkshire at Hartlepool.

Durham led 7-4 at half-time with a try by Cooke and a penalty by Stadler to a pushover try for Yorkshire and Ellison. In the second half the lead went back and forth with a try by Burnhill giving Yorkshire the edge, only for Rutland to touch down to restore Durham's lead and Andrew to level the scores with a penalty. Two tries in the last three minutes by McBain and Kirkup settled the issue.

Gloucestershire, who have won the championship 15 times, lost several players to the club match at Kingsholm, and they survived a torrid first half by **Cornwall**, who led 6-0, through dropped goals by Winnan and Buzza. But tries from Cue and Bick and a penalty and a conversion by Howard took care of Cornwall, who added one penalty by Winnan.

Hampshire won for the first time at Southampton, where Sly, a Harlequins full back and one of seven new caps, kicked three penalties, but failed to convert a try by Bates. Dorset and Wilts fought back from 15-24 to beat **Oxfordshire** 28-24 in injury time. Harrold, aged 19, from Bournemouth, scored 20 points.

Cambridge promise snuffed out

By Gordon Allan

Cambridge University	9
Leicester	31

They do things with old-world politeness at Grange Road. The gentleman announcing the team changes over the public address system on Saturday referred to "Mr Beard" and "Mr Smith." Leicester showed less deference, beating Cambridge University by three goals, a try, a dropped goal and two penalty goals to a goal and a penalty.

It was not as bad as all that for Cambridge. Their main problem was that although they won a reasonable share of the ball, too little of it was of the best quality. This meant that the promise of the threequarters, obvious on paper, hardly got off the page.

Harriman, their Nigerian-born wing, caused a gasp or two but required more room for his sprint champion's speed. In the centre there were hints of the wiles of Wyles as well as the subleties of Simms. Thomas looked, and kicked, like a full back rather than a stand-off half.

As for the injured Cambridge players; Hastings, their full back and captain, returns for the match against Bedford on Wednesday, but Heginbotham, their loose-head prop, who has a blood clot in a leg, may not be fit in time to face Oxford on December 10.

Leicester, coached by Cusworth, made the most of a following wind to go 19-0 up by the break. Richards scored from a five-metre scrum (he did it again in the second half) and Dexter in the corner expert approach work by the pack. Hare, catching a clearance kick by Thomas, dropped a goal from just inside the Cambridge half.

A diagonal kick by Simms preceded a penalty try to Cambridge at the outset of the second half. Bailey was shoved in the back as he went for the touchdown. Cambridge perked up but Leicester began to pull them apart in the tight, and a heel against the head let in the cruiserweight Youngs for a try.

SCORERS: Cambridge University: Penalty try: Conversion: Thomas. **Penalty:** Thomas. **Leicester: Tries:** Richards (2), Dexter, Youngs. **Conversions:** Hare (3) **Penalties:** Hare (2). **Dropped goal:** Hare.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: P Beard (Berkhamsted and St John's); A Harriman (Radley and Magdalene), *K Simms (West Park and Emmanuel), K Wyles (Wymondham and Churchill), *M Bailey (Ipswich and Corpus Christi), M Thomas (Swansea HS and Magdalene), J Turner (Sherborne and Downing), N Herrod (King Henry VIII, Coventry and Clare), *P Combe (Marlborough and Magdalene), T Bentswick (Tonbridge and Magdalene), G Armstrong (Haberdashers and St John's), W Stileman, (Wellington and Selwyn), *S O'Leary (Plymouth College and Fitzwilliam), *P Green (Kent College and Trinity Hall), S Kelly (Taunton and Corpus Christi).

LEICESTER: W Hare; B Evans, P Dodge, I Bates, C Dexter; L Cusworth, N Youngs; S Redfern, C Tressler, W Richardson, A Marriott, N Joyce, M Foukes-Arnold, G Smith, D Richards.

Referee: T Ashworth (Yorkshire).
*A Blue

Connacht steal the headlines

By George Ace

Ulster extended their winning run to 15 at Ravenhill on Saturday in almost disdainful fashion as they brushed aside Munster's puny efforts 23-3, with two goals, two tries and one penalty to one drop goal. But it was Connacht that stole the headlines by registering their first win over Leinster for 30 years at Lansdowne Road, by three penalty goals to a goal.

O'Toole kicked Connacht's nine points – six in the first half, which ended with the teams level – with MacNeill going under the posts for Leinster, Murphy converting.

It was no surprise when Ulster took the lead after 15 minutes with a gem of a try, Cowan, at scrum-half for the injured Brady and making his first appearance for Ulster, accelerated away from the set piece and weaved his way through a bemused Munster defence in quite startling fashion to score wide out. Keyes replied almost immediately with a long-range dropped goal but the effervescent Cowan pounced on a loose ball won by his forwards and found Matthews with a pass some five metres in the Munster line.

Trailing 3-8 at the break, Munster faced an impossible task and, with Spillance's being replaced at the start of the second half by Michael Gibson after aggravating a hamstring injury, they found themselves a further six points in arrears within two minutes of the re-start. Irwin exploited the blind side, passed to Rainey and the fullback chipped neatly for Crossan to gather and run round behind the posts. Brown added the conversion and later kicked a penalty. Then it was Crossan again racing round behind the posts

Hawick lose McGaughey but remain unbeaten

By Ian McLauchlan

Hawick, with a 14-10 victory over **Heriot's** remain the only unbeaten team in the Scottish league. After 26 minutes things looked bleak for the home side as they were seven points down to a Dougherty try and a Hewitt penalty. Then their international flanker, McGaughey, was taken off with a hip injury.

However, Hawick stepped up again and scored two tries within eight minutes. McGuigan went over for the first and was on hand to give the final pass to Thomson for the second. Midway through the second half Heriot's lost Steven with an ankle injury and their chance of victory faded. Gass added two penalties for Hawick and Hewitt one for Heriot's.

The need for replacements in league rugby was emphasized at Myreside. Watsonians lost their hooker, Watters, after 20 minutes and from that point onward struggled for possession in lineout and scrums. Bravely though they fought, they eventually fell 15-9 to a Gala side who failed to capitalize on their superiority.

Forbes scored all the home side's points – two penalties and a dropped goal. Dods kicked three penalties and converted Ledingham's late try for Gala.

The shock of the day came at **Meggetland**, where **Boroughmuir** surrendered their 100 per cent record to **West of Scotland**. West opened the scoring in the first minute when Buchanan-Smith dived over from a line-out. Boroughmuir hit back with tries from Flockhart and Hall which Macgregor could not convert. The same player also missed a penalty attempt. However, it was Mair, the visitors' full back, who found his form and kicked three penalties to take his side to a 13-8 win.

Three penalties by Rutherford secured two valuable points for **Selkirk** as they beat **Melrose** 9-7. Melrose missed four easy penalty chances before Flannigan was successful. Weatherly scored their try late in the game.

Jed-Forest beat **Kilmarnock** 13-9 thanks to two brilliant tries by Hogg. Jackson converted one and kicked a penalty. Kilmarnock's points came from three penalties by Stewart.

A late try by Jeffrey gave **Kelso** a 16-12 victory at **Preston Lodge**. The Border side led 6-0 at half time through a dropped goal and penalty by Ker. Early in the second half Tait scored another try before the home side hit back, with Redpath kicking two penalties and converting Patterson's try. Ramage then took them into the lead with a well struck penalty before that Jeffey try.

Edinburgh Academicals were no match for **Stewarts-Melville**, who had a 22-6 victory. Spence, Ferguson and Frame had tries. Scott two conversions and a penalty, and Wylie dropped a goal. For Academicals, Hutchison kicked two penalties.

Bainbridge: sent off for fighting



Building for future

Tokyo is planning to build a new tennis complex to rival Wimbledon at a cost of about £17 million. It is expected to open in the spring of 1987 and seat 10,000 people in three-storey stands surrounding its centre court. There will also be a royal box.

The Japan Tennis Association is keen to make Tokyo a world-class centre for tennis, to match facilities available in Europe and the United States. A gala competition is planned at the complex for May 1987.

RESULTS AND TABLES FROM THE WEEKEND

INTERNATIONAL MATCH

Wales	40	Fiji	3

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Berkshire	12	Bucks	10
Cheshire	17	Northumberland	14
Cumbria	7	Lancs	14
Durham	19	Yorks	11
Gloucester	13	Cornwall	3
Hampshire	15	Sussex	6
Oxford	24	Dorset & Wilts	28
Somerset	19	Devon	7

MERIT TABLE B

Northampton	2	Coventry	13
Waterloo	25	Bedford	7

MERIT TABLE C

Morley	17	Sheffield	11

CLUB MATCHES

Birmingham	3	Nottingham	24
Blackheath	6	Oxford Univ	7
Bridgwater	19	Plymouth	23
Cambridge Univ	9	Leicester	31
Cheltenham	24	Fylde	24
Gloucester	15	Bath	11
Halifax	19	Keighley	13
Hull & ER	21	U Northerners	28
Kendal	18	Middlesboro	14
L Irish	31	Esher	9
Met Police	14	Rugby	6
Moseley	36	L Welsh	13
Nuneaton	14	Penrhyndeud	19
Orrell	25	Sidcup	15
Richmond	7	Blackhead Pk	11
Rosslyn Pk	7	Harlequins	4
Saints	38	Newport	6
Stroud	9	Bristol	10
Old Portsmouth	15	L Scottish	21
Wakefield	32	Harrogate	15
Weston	44	Saracens	6
Wimbledon	3	Vale of Lune	24

SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP
Division I

Boroughmuir	8	W of Scotland	13
Edinburgh Acads	6	Stewart's Mel FP	22
Hawick	14	Heriot's FP	10
Jedforest	13	Kilmarnock	9
Melrose	7	Selkirk	9
Preston Lodge	12	Kelso	16
Watsonians	9	Gala	15

NORTHERN: Blackburn 6, Scunthorpe 4; Blaydon 3, Percy Park 0; Bolton 24, Old Bedians 0; Bradford & Bingley 6, Headingley 20; Caley 24, Selton 0; Chester 6, Carlisle 20; Congleton 20, Heaton Moor 0; Gosforth 33, Morpeth 6; Ionians 10, Leeds University 16; Kendal 6, Rochdale 6; Leigh 7, Keighley 12; Littleborough 17, Fleetwood 7; Manchester 24, Wilmslow 6; Northern 6, Otley 35; Preston Grasshoppers 10, Manchester 3, St Helens 10; Broughton Park 19, Sedgley Park 7; Widnes 27, Tyldesley 20, Aspull 10; Warrington 3, Wigan 16; Wharfedale 15, Ilkley 0; Wrexham 22, Winnington Park 9.

SOUTH-WEST: Club matches: Exeter 13, Tiverton 16; Barnstaple 13, Devonport Services 4; Bideford 20, Wellington 3, St Ives 14; Devon/Cornwall Police 0, Penzance-Newlyn 0, Okehampton 16, Falmouth 7, Paignton 6, Stroud 0, Bristol 10, Newton Abbot 7, Wadebridge 14, Teignmouth 12, Brixham 0.

DEVON MERIT TABLE: Crediton 12, Exmouth 3.

CORNWALL MERIT TABLE: Newquay 12, Truro 15.

LOMBARD SHIPPING SEVEN COUNTIES MERIT TABLE: Havant 3, Maidstone 6; Southend XV 20, St Mary's Hospital 4; Upper Clapton 10, Sutton and Epsom 7; Woodford 18, Sidcup 9.

RISLEY OFFICE EQUIPMENT SOUTHERN MERIT TABLE: Staines 12, Newbury 16.

RUGBY UNION
Merit Table A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wasps	5	5	0	0	59	29	100.00
Nottingham	1	1	0	0	17	12	100.00
Sale	1	1	0	0	21	16	100.00
Leicester	1	1	0	0	15	12	100.00
Bath	4	3	0	1	127	47	75.00
Harlequins	4	1	0	1	52	25	50.00
Gloucester	2	1	0	1	64	49	50.00
Headingley	2	1	0	1	29	54	50.00
Bristol	2	0	0	2	39	50	00.00
Moseley	3	0	0	3	19	41	00.00
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TRUMAN O S. MERIT TABLE: Basingstokians 12, Brockleians 22, Blues 33, UCS 6; Dunstonians 7, Colfeians 7, Johnians 8, Suttonians 28, Roehamians 10, Alleynians 7; Suttonians 12, Guildfordians 6; Tiffinians 12, Wimbledonians 9; Wellingtonians 6, GMT 9; St Nicholas 19, Leweshamians 44.

HANTS MERIT TABLE: Eastleigh 20, Gosport and Fareham 9.

HUNTING GATES HERTS MERIT TABLE: Cheshunt 29, Old Albanians 7, Hemel Hempstead 0, Bacaswans 11.

RADIO KENT MERIT TABLE: Charlton Park 7, Medway 16; Dover 43, Cranbrook 0; Gillingham Anchorians 44, Old Shornerians 0; Old Beccehamians 12, Old Brockleians 22; Old Gravesendians 0, New Ash Green 15.

FOSTER BEARS MIDDLESEX MERIT TABLE: Harrow 0, Uxbridge 0; Hendon 12, Hampstead 11.

SUSSEX MERIT TABLE: Uckfield 0, Sussex University 0.

GIROBANK LEAGUE: North West First Division: Aspatria 12, Davenport 13, North Area First Division: Cadger Vale 6, Workington 22; Moresby 27, Caine and Nelson 10; Vickers 26, Pennin 6.

Merit Table B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Waterloo	3	3	0	0	105	25	100.00
Lon Irish	2	2	0	0	51	15	100.00
Coventry	1	1	0	0	13	2	100.00
Rosslyn Pk	1	1	0	0	18	15	100.00
Saracens	3	2	0	1	48	42	66.67
Orrell	2	1	0	1	47	32	50.00
Northampn	2	1	0	1	27	20	50.00
Richmond	5	2	0	3	54	114	40.00
Lon Welsh	2	0	0	2	31	41	00.00
Blackheath	1	0	0	1	14	31	00.00
Liverpool	1	0	0	1	9	22	00.00
Bedford	3	0	0	3	31	78	00.00

Merit Table C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W Hartlepl	1	1	0	0	38	3	100.00
Vol Lune	1	1	0	0	11	6	100.00
Birmingham	1	1	0	0	6	4	100.00
Met Police	4	3	0	1	72	34	75.00
Plymth Arg	2	1	0	1	33	39	50.00
Morley	2	1	0	1	20	49	50.00
Roundhay	3	1	0	2	37	37	33.33
Nuneaton	3	1	0	2	25	51	33.33
Wakefield	1	0	0	1	24	25	00.00
Sheffield	1	0	0	1	11	17	00.00
Exeter	1	0	0	1	8	15	00.00

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP
North Group

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Durham	3	3	0	0	58	20	6
Lancashire	3	2	0	1	82	39	4
Yorkshire	3	2	0	1	86	49	4
Cumbria	3	1	0	2	21	53	2
Cheshire	3	1	0	2	25	73	2
Northumberland	3	0	0	3	29	90	0

London
Group A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Surrey	2	2	0	0	38	19	4
Middlesex	2	1	0	1	27	19	2
Kent	2	1	0	1	36	36	2
Herts	2	0	0	2	30	52	0

Group B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Eastern Counties	2	2	0	0	32	14	4
Hampshire	3	1	0	2	28	37	2
Sussex	3	1	0	2	29	39	2

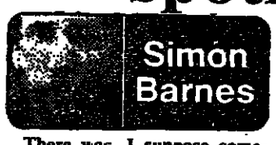
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Waterloo 28 New Brighton 6.
Newbridge 16 South Glam Inst 26

MIDDLESEX CUP
Third round
Hendon 27 Old Meadonians 8

SPOTLIGHT ON VIOLENCE

Rugby League blows its moment in the spotlight



Simon Barnes

There was, I suppose something rather endearing about the way that Rugby League blew its moment in the spotlight on Saturday. The third international between Great Britain and New Zealand, sponsored by Whitbread, was an ideal chance for the 13-man game to prove its worth. Its die-hard supporters will explain that it is this game that the true skills of rugby football, skills of handling, passing, running and tackling, are found in their truest form. The Union game, they say, with its domination by forwards and kickers, has lost its way.

Meanwhile, the Union game has been getting a horrific press for its violent side: the discreet stampings in the forward cauldrons, the "professional" nastiness in a game that must hold its discipline by consensus, rather than through the authority of a referee, if it is to exist as the same sport.

On Saturday, in the third, last and decisive Rugby League international between the Brits and the Kiwis, the game had a chance to put on a show: to give us brilliant running, scintillating Rugby League tries and show itself as a game that is stirringly physical but short of nastiness. A chance to show the sporting nation, not to mention the chaps from the snootier code, what a delight rugby football should be.

So it was inevitable that we got not a feast of running, but a war of attrition. The most stirring sight in rugby is the man that comes from nowhere, the man who simply materializes just behind the man in possession, travelling at 20 mph, receiving the ball with hands of Bostic and in an eyeblink covering every yard of the ground that lies between nowhere and glory. But on Saturday the man from nowhere never appeared.

The match was tackle after courageous, bone-jarring tackle: spoil after spoil, foil after foil. Rugby, both codes, is a game played on the edge of violence at all times: the blood must be hot enough for the epic, numbing confrontations that occur in such an attritional match, but heads must still remain cool enough to recall that it is, after all, a game and that the violence is strictly circumscribed.

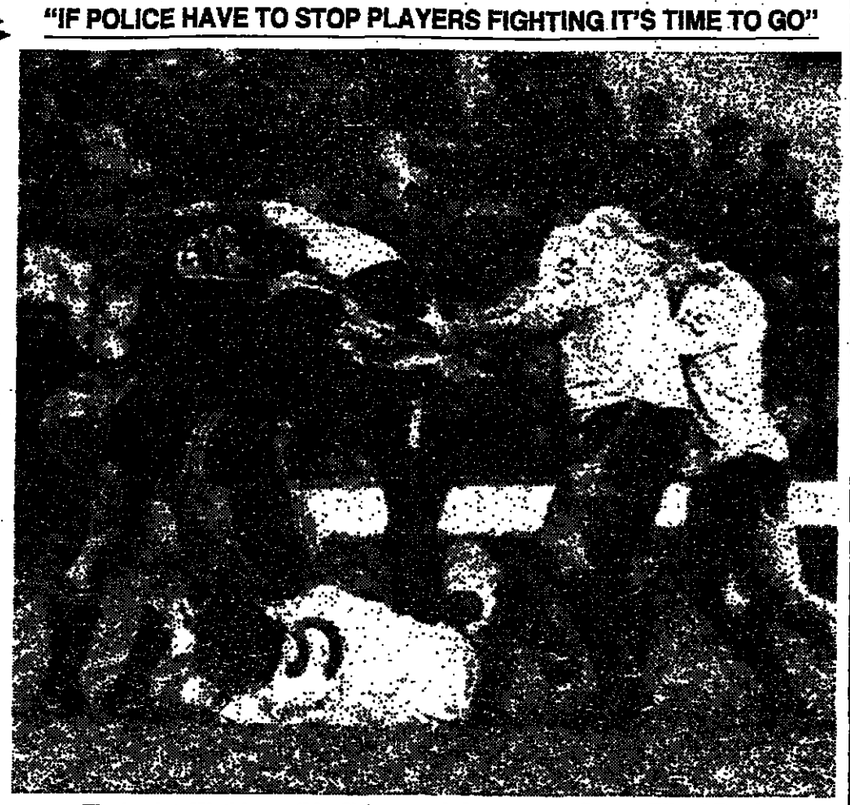
But of course, the blood got just a little too warm on Saturday, and the fine line between sport and outright battle was comprehensively crossed. In a match when the tackle was consistently dominating the would be ball-movers, the game became locked into pressure-cooker mode and, on the hour, duly blew its lid off.

I do not wish to labour the point, but when policemen need to go on to the pitch to stop players thumping each other it really is time for us all to go home. Indeed, when policemen are at any sporting event, on anything more than point duty, the point of the entire exercise is lost. The ridiculous brawl that involved about half the players on the pitch was like a caricature of Rugby League, as choreographed by a southerner with a taste for Eddie Waring jokes. "Eh, eh, eh, eh, a bit o' needle creepin' in", as the blood flows like new Beaujolais in Kensington.

Of course, Rugby League people will tend rather to shrug it all off: certainly the players did. The match continued, hot-blooded and desperately physical, until its final moment with a last-minute penalty sailing serenely to draw the match and the series. It was a splendidly dramatic end to what had been a rather splendid, thundering struggle. The players on opposite sides did all the predictable embracing of each other and the crowd went home thinking what a splendid game and that the Kiwi try should never have been awarded. A good time was had by all. But as a public relations exercise for Rugby League, it didn't quite come off. It is the blend of mayhem and grace that makes both codes of rugby riveting stuff at their best. We lacked a little grace on Saturday.

The blood must be hot but the head cool

"IF POLICE HAVE TO STOP PLAYERS FIGHTING IT'S TIME TO GO"



Flashpoint: Watkinson (No. 9) is grounded as tempers flare at Elland Road

Crooks punishes the villains

By Keith Macklin

Great Britain 6
New Zealand 6

With just over a minute to go, and with a mountain of pressure on his mature young shoulders, Lee Crooks struck a magnificent angled penalty goal from the right-hand touchline to give Great Britain a totally deserved draw, tie the Whitbread Trophy series, and hang the Kiwis with their own rope. A crowd of 22,209, the biggest at Elland Road this season, roared their delight, as Crooks' kick sailed through the posts. Justice was done, and was manifestly done, for the penalty award was for one of the many fists thrown by New Zealand in a game which erupted in a second-half brawl, bringing police-men on to the pitch and resulting in a general warning to both teams from the Australian referee, Barry Gomersall.

After the thrills and flowing rugby of the first two internationals, this game was brutal and explosive. Although Great Britain's hard men were not totally without sin, it is significant that the British forwards suffered the worst injuries. Goodway staggered from the field concussed by a stiff-arm tackle. Watkinson and Pinner had to have stitches in head wounds, and Grayshon suffered a facial injury.

The brawl occurred in the 63rd minute, and went on unabated for a full minute before Mr Gomersall held up play and, with help from the touchline police, restored order. Kurt Sorenson, the New Zealand forward who seemed to aim almost as many punches at British forwards than Mark Kaylor threw at Errol Christie, was sent to the sin bin twice in the match, and there was great surprise that he was not given total marching orders the second time.

However, there was ironic justice in the fact that Goodway's replacement was Crooks, whose three penalty goals in the second half and powerful surging runs brought Britain level after they had trailed 6-0 at half time to an extremely dubious try by the strong and inspiring New Zealand captain, Mark Graham. Graham played the ball forward near the line, and appeared both to fumble and make a double movement before plunging over for Dane Sorenson to kick the goal. After the game, Mr Gomersall said Graham was in his view impeded, and he would have given a penalty try if Graham had not touched down.

In the second half there were some rare moments of good rugby from Britain, including one six-man move which ended in Lydon beig pushed into touch, but there is no doubt that Great britain, apart from being staggered by fierce tackling, missed the injured Myler at stand-off half.

A draw was a fitting end to a series which has been magnificently contested, and both sides take a World Cup point. Honors are shared; New Zealand retain their world class status, and Maurice Bamford, the Great Britain coach, claimed justifiably after the game, that Britain have emerged after 20 years as a force in international Rugby League.

SCORERS: Great Britain: Goals: Crooks (3). New Zealand: Try: Graham. Goal: D Sorenson. GREAT BRITAIN: M Burke (Widnes); D Drummond (Leigh), G Schofield (Hull), S Edwards (Wigan), J Lydon (Widnes); E Hanley (Wigan), D Fox (Featherstone Rovers); J Grayshon (Leeds), D Watkinson Hull KR, rep. C Arkwright, (St Helens), J Fieldhouse (Widnes), rep. L Crooks, (Hull), I Potter (Wigan), H Pinner (St Helens, capt).
NEW ZEALAND: G Kemble; D Williams, D Bell, J Leuluai, D O'Hara; F Ah Kuoi (rep. O Filipaina), C Friend; K Tamati, W Wallace, D Sorenson, M Graham, K Sorencon, G Prohm (rep. H McGAHAN).
Referee: B Gomersall (Queensland).

End of the Jubilee line

The two amateur sides, Jubilee, from Featherstone, and West Hull, put up brave performances in yesterday's qualifying round for the John Player Special Trophy (Keith Macklin writes). Jubilee were beaten 24-6 at Keighley, while West Hull, backed by a strong Humberside following, gave the powerful first division outfit Castleford a run for their money before being beaten 24-10.

Rochdale Hornets continued their long run of victories by beating Carlisle 24-6 in Cumbria, but Warrington were given a surprisingly close game at Featherstone before squeezing home 14-10.

In the first division Hull Kingston Rovers and Oldham maintained their championship challenge, Rovers hammering Bradford Northern 30-4 while Oldham had a tough battle before winning 8-2 at York.

There was a thrilling finish in the Yorkshire Derby at Halifax, where a last-minute try from Kilroy, converted by a touchline goal, brought Halifax level at 18-18 after they had trailed Leeds 4-14 at half time.

Schools tour

The Australian combined high schools are to tour England next November on a seven-match tour including two against the British Amateur Rugby League Association.

GOLF: Taiwan, who finished second last year, will not sent a team to the 32nd World Cup Golf Championships in California later this month

JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL TROPHY: (Preliminary round): Featherstone 10, Warrington 14; Keighley 24, Jubilee Featherstone 6; West Hull 10, Castelford 24; Carlisle 6, Rochdale 24.
FIRST ROUND DRAW: Batley v Leigh; Doncaster v Runcorn; York v Castleford; Sheffield Eagles v Bradford Northern; Whitehaven v Widnes; St Helens v Dewsbury; Bramley v Oldham; Fulham v Warrington; Barrow v Leeds; Hunslet v Workington Town; Salford v Rochdale Hornets; Blackpool Borough v Wakefield Trinity; Halifax v Hull Kingston Rovers; Wigan v Mansfield; Keighley v Huddersfield; Hull v Swinton. Ties to be played on November 24.

FIRST DIVISION: Halifax 18, Leeds 18; Hull Kingston Rovers 30, Bradford 4, St Helens 24, Dewsbury 6; Wigan 20, Salford 8; York 2, Oldham 8.

GOLF: UNITED STATES WIN INAUGURAL NISSAN CUP

Lyle's triumph fails to secure victory for European team

From Mitchell Platts
Kapalua, Maui, Hawaii

Sandy Lyle maintained his enviable practice of winning individual titles within the framework of team competition when he compiled a 64, which is eight under par for the Bay Course, in the final round of the Nissan Cup World Championship here on Saturday.

Lyle's performance, however, failed to help Europe with the team prize. The United States, seeking compensation for their defeat in the Ryder Cup, won the inaugural Nissan Cup by five matches to one. Their six-man team shared a first prize of $300,000.

In 1980 Lyle won the individual prize during the World Cup and he repeated the trick in the Heinnessy Cognac Cup at Ferndown last year. This, however, was by far the most lucrative success for Lyle in this kind of event. He earned $50.000 as the individual winner and a further $30.000 as his share of Europe's runners-up prize. For good measure he also won an $18.000 car.

There must be something about the Hawaiian air that agrees with Lyle. Twelve months ago he won the $125,000 first prize in the Kapalua International and he will start his defence of that title here on the Bay course on Wednesday. "I don't want to sound too greedy but it would be nice to win again!" Lyle said.

Lyle, however, was disappointed that Europe could not make a clean sweep. In the round robin preliminaries, which decided the two finalists from the four participating teams, Europe had crushed the United States 5-1. Moreover, Europe headed the points table to qualify.

Ironically if Europe had lost to Australia/New Zealand on Friday, then the United States would not have qualified. The Americans were certainly on tenterhooks for most of that day and their enthusiasm bubbled over as the players sat round the 18th green and cheered the significant shot executed by the Europeans.

Ray Floyd, the United States captain, indicated his relief following their overall success. "We all knew how important it was for us to win", he explained. "We have lost in three international team matches this year and we did not want to go down in another. We are no longer as dominant a power as we have been down the years and so to win the final in such an emphatic manner was also extremely satisfying."

The quality of the golf throughout the competition was outstanding. On not one occasion, in four rounds, did an American golfer fail to better the par of 72 and the Europeans recorded only four scores over par. Bernhard Langer, the European anchor man who started the final day with a three-stroke advantage in the individual competition, was one of those as he laboured to a 73 against Lanny Wadkins on Saturday. But by then the United States were home and dry.

Langer's setback opened the door for Lyle as he overwhelmed the luckless Mark O'Meara, who managed only one win in four matches, inspite of being 11 under par for the week. Lyle gathered eight birdies with three of them coming in the last four holes. His five iron, from 228 yards out at the 15th, which left the ball only 12 feet from the hol, provided further evidence of his awesome power. He has rarely played four better rounds in succession as his 21-under-par total of 267 indicates.

THIRD ROUND: Europe drew with Australia 11-11: (Europe first): S Torrance (66) bt. G Norman (67); I Woosnam (69) halved with W Grady (69); S Lyle (68) halved with I Baker-Finch (68); G Brand Jr (73); lost to G Marsh (69); B Langer (65) bt D Graham (67). United States beat Japan 18-4: (US first): C Pavin (67) bt T Ozaki (69); L Watkins bt S Maeda (70); M O'Meara 68 (70) lost to N Ozaki (69); Peete (68) bt T Nakajima (70); C Strange (67) bt K Arai (74); R Floyd (71) lost to I Aoki (67).



Lyle: title success

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND: United States beat Europe 10-2 (US first): C Pavin (71) bt. S Torrance (74); C Strange (67) bt I Woosnam (68); M O'Meara (69) lost to S Lyle (64); R Floyd (71) bt G Brand Jr (72); C Peete (68) bt H Clark (72); L Watkins (71) bt B Langer (73). Third place play-off: Japan bt Australia 5-1 (Japan first): K Arai (71) bt G Norman (73); S Maeda (78 lost to W Grady (73); T Nakajima (68) bt I Baker-Finch (71); J Ozaki (72) halved with B Jones (72); I Aoki (69) bt G Marsh (73); J Ozaki (69) bt D Graham (72).

INDIVIDUAL: 267: S Lyle (Euro); 270: C Strange (US), 271: I Woosnam (Euro); J Ozaki (Japan), 272: I Baker-Finch (Aust), B Langer (Euro), 274: C Peete (US), 275: F Normah (Asia); C Pavin (US), N Grady (Aus); 277: M O'Meara (US); I Aoki (Japan), 278: T Nakajima (Japan), 280: R Floyd (US); D Graham (Aus); L Watkins (US), 281: B Jones (Aus); J Ozaki (Japan); H Clark (Euro), 282: S Torrance (Euro), 285: G Marsh (Aus), 287: G Brand Jr (Euro), 288: K Arai (Japan), 292: S Maeda (Japan).

TOKYO: Mazda Classic: Leading final scores: (US, unless stated): 206: J Blalock, 72, 70, 64; 208: Tu Ai-Yu (Taiwan), 69, 69, 70; 212: Wu Mou-Yeh (Taiwan), 70, 72, 68; D Massey, 70, 74, 68; N Lopez, 71, 69, 72; 213: K Beljo, 70, 72, 71; L Rinker, 72, 68, 73; 214: Ku Chi-Hee (S. Kor), 73, 70, 71; A Miller, 75, 69, 70; P Bradley 71, 72, 71; H Stacy, 73, 71, 70.

Langer plea over tour release rule

From Mitchell Platts

Bernhard Langer met the United States PGA tour commissioner, Deane Beman, here at the weekend to discuss the implications of the rule change governing releases to non-American golfers for their home circuits.

The change, which is expected to be ratified by the US PGA tour policy board next month, will compel Langer to seek a release for any event around the world apart from thos in his native West Germany. In the past he has enjoyed an automatic release to any European event.

Langes said: "Deane Beman gave me every indication that he will accommodate my request, but with any change such as this we can only see how it works once it is tested. It could take until the middle of next year to discover if everything is going smoothly, and I just hope that it does."

Langer's career in the United States could be further complicated if tax laws regarding the number of days he can spend in America are changed. A spokesman for the International Management Group, who look after Langer's affairs, explained: "Bernhard comes under the category of being allowed to spend 182 days in the country. After that point he becomes elegible for taxation on his world-wide earnings. There is the possibility that the number of days could be reduced to 120. But I do not envisage any great problem, since Bernhard's home residence certainly is West Germany."

Gary Player, who celebrated his fiftieth birthday this month, could face a similar problem if the tax law is changed, as he is likely to embark on a bigger programme in the United States next year now that he is eligible for the US seniors tour.

Meanwhile Nick Faldo and Ken Brown, who regularly compete on the US tour, will be required to seek release for all tournaments outside Britain. The same will apply to Severiano Ballesteros, banned for all but four tournaments in 1986 after failing to play the mandatory 15 tournaments to retain his US players' card if he rejoins the tour in 1987.

Faldo says: "I am considering playing more tournaments in Europe next season but most of them will be in Britain.

JUDO

British team hold on for bronze

From Philip Nicksan
Brussels

The opportunity of winning the inaugural women's European team championships in Brussels this weekend slipped through the fingers of the British women as they were edged out of a place in the final by the favourites, France, leaving them with a consolation bronze. They were in danger of losing even the bronze, for a determined Italian team fought a tough rearguard action. Had it not been for three good victories by Karen Briggs, the world champion, Ann Hughes, the lightweight, and Avril Malley, lightheavy, the British would have been out of a medal altogether.

This would not have been commensurate with their international standing, for, as was seem earlier in the day, Britain could have beaten France.

A secure win by Briggs over Fabienne Boffin brought Britain the ideal start in the fight for a place in the final against France. Other team members failed to build on it, however, with Loretta Doyle, who was not looking sharp, losing, and Hughes and Diane Bell managing only draws.

The title went to France with a confident win over West Germany.

RESULTS: Men's team championships: 1st Round: USSR bt Belgium 4-1; Netherlands bt Spain 7-0; France bt Austria 5-0 (2 draws); Britain, bye. Semi-finals: France bt Netherlands 6-1; USSR bt Britain 4-0 (3 draws). Individual (GB first): Bantamweights: N Eckersley dec with I Zhuchkov; Featherweights: S Gawthorpe lost to P Margvani, ippon: Lightweight: K Brown drew with T NamgelLauri; Light middle: N Adams drew with S Khabareli; Middle: R Stevens lost to V Pesniak, Yuko: Light-heavyweight: D Stewart lost to A Sitsov, ippon: Heavyweight: E Gordon lost to G Vertisev, ippon.
WOMEN: Final: France bt West Germany 4-3. Bronze matches: Holland bt Austria 3-1 with three draws; Great Britain bt Italy 3-2 with two draws. Individual (GB first): K Briggs bt A Valvano, ippon, hold: L Doyle lost to A Giunji, koka (conv pen); A Hughes bt D Soraci, waza-ari (throw); D Bell drew with L di Toma; C Florentini bt N Netherwood, yuko (conv pen); A Malley bt S Cichiz, yuko (throw); S Bradshaw drew with N Motta.

SQUASH RACKETS

Carter gives Jones rough passage

By Colin McQuillan

Cerry Jones, a thoughtful young Welshman seeking professional sporting success this year to compliment a philosophical university background, yesterday defeated Paul Carter, a raw and courageous newcomer who ousted fourth-seeded Jamie Hickox, to reach the quarter-finals of the Inter City national championships at Bristol.

It is the first time that Jones, the 23-year-old Coventry-based Welsh team captain has penetrated so far into such a class field. He had never before played on the all-transparent mobile court which has become the centre stage of major tournament squash and which Inter-City have erected in Brunel's historic Great Western terminal at Temple Meads station.

The involvement of the British Rail passenger service has elevated the old-closed championships into rivalling the great international tournaments on wwhich Jones has set his sights. "I think this may be a breakthrough for me", he said after playing his way out of trouble to win 9-5, 9-2, 10-8, against Carter in 76 wearing minutes. "I am concentrating on raising both my fitness and my game this year to get among the world rankings which gain entry to the international scene."

Jones spent the summer training in Birmingham, with colleagues from the Edgbaston Priory Premier League team. His low ranking made involvement in the Far East circuit of that time financially impossible, so he spent his time improving technique and tactics.

Ironically, his regular girl friend, the junior world champion Lucy Soutter, was in lucrative demand on those same circuits. "In her game she is still far ahead of me", Jones admits. "When our schedules coincide, we practise together. She is very accurate and experienced. I benefit from working with her."

Such benefits were needed against Carter, the 22-year-old Hertfordshire champion whom Jones described as emanating hunger for success through the pores of his skin from the first point. It was a hunger that consumed Hickox, the adventurous under-23 champion, in the previous round after Hickox had stroked his way easily into a 2-0 lead.

Jones also established a 2-0 lead on superior racket technique but suddenly found himself embroiled in a battle for the third game as Carter's hunger again drove him to extraordinary rallying commitment.

It took 32 minutes and seven game points for Jones to exploit those relative weaknesses and earn his quarter-final against fifth-seeded David Pearson, who beat Simon Rolington 10-8, 9-0, 9-2 in a fraction of the time.

Men:
SECOND ROUND: B Beeson bt M Wyatt 9-7, 9-1; D Pearson bt P Whitlock 9-4, 9-2, 9-4; S Rolington bt M Taylor 9-1, 9-1, 9-4; G Briars bt A Danzey 9-4, 9-3, 8-9, 10-8; D Lee bt M Shaw 9-2, 9-2, 9-1; A Davies bt C Wilstrop 9-3, 9-4, 9-0; P Carter bt J Hickox 3-9, 9-3, 9-1, 9-4, 9-3; C Jones bt D Mabbs 9-3, 9-3, 9-6; M Bodenreads bt R Elliott 9-3, 9-5, 9-6; M Heiss bt J le Lievre 9-3, 9-2, 5-9, 8-10, 9-4; G Williams bt G Robinson 9-0, 9-5, 9-6, 9-5; S Taylor bt J Nicolle 2-9, 2-9, 9-1, 9-2, 9-3; M Robertson bt J Evans 5-9, 9-4, 9-2, 9-7; R Owen bt M Hornby 9-4, 9-7, 0-9, 9-6; R Forde bt S Bateman 9-5, 4-9, 9-6, 10-8, 9-5, P Kenyon bt I Robinson 10-8, 9-4, 10-8;
THIRD ROUND: Beeson bt Davies 9-3, 9-2, 5-9, 9-7, Jones bt Carter 9-5, 9-2, 10-8; Pearson bt Rolington 10-8, 9-0, 9-2; Briars bt Lee 5-9, 4-9, 9-5, 9-4, 9-6.

Women
SECOND ROUND: A Cummings bt R Taylor 9-1, 9-0, 9-2; H Wallace bt W Berry 9-0, 9-0, 9-0; S Mackie bt P Wignall 9-3, 9-5, 9-3; R Strauss bt D Turnbull 9-1, 9-3, 9-5; A Cowie bt F Grahves 8-10, 8-10, 10-8, 9-2, 9-0; P Anderson bt K Butterworth 9-4, 5-9, 10-9, 9-1; M le Maignan bt D Knowles 9-0, 9-0, 9-0; S White bt M Warran-Hindes 9-0, 10-8, 9-0; T Cunliffe bt A Harkness 9-0, 9-0, 9-0; A Smith bt S Laughlin 9, 9-0, 9-5; R Best bt P Nicholl 9-1, 9-2, 9-5; L Soutter bt C Oxley 9-6, 9-4, 9-0; B Diggens bt C Machin 9-3, 9-4, 5-4, S Burgess bt J Benfield 9-1, 9-0, 9-2, S Wright bt M Greene 9-2, 9-2, 9-2, L Dow bt A Pilling 8-10, 9-1, 9-4, 9-0
THIRD ROUND: Wallace bt Anderson 9-0, 9-2, 9-2; Cummings bt White 9-1, 9-2, 9-2, Strauss bt Cowie 9-5, 9-0, 7-9, 9-5, le Maignan bt Mackie or Opie bt Wright 9-0, 9-0, 9-3; Burgess bt Diggens 9-0, 9-3, 9-1

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FOR THE RECORD

ROWING

FULLERS HEAD OF THE RIVER FOURS: 1, Nottingham County 14 min (win Quad Pennant); 2, Marlow/Bewdley/Thames Tradesmen 14 min 3 sec; 3, Nautilus Lightweight 14 min 19 sec; (win coxless pennant); 4, Maidenhead 14 min 20 sec; 5, Nottingham County III 14 min 22 sec; 6, Tideway Scullers 14 min 23 sec; 7, Tideway Scullers IV 14 min 26 sec; 8, Leander 14 min 27 sec; 9, Nottingham County II 14 min 35 sec; 10, Cambridge University 14 min 38 sec; (win coxed pennant); 12, London II 14 min 41 sec; 13, Leander II 14 min 42 sec; 14, London 14 min 44 sec; 15, Tideway Scullers II 14 min 47 sec; 16, Leander IV 14 min 50 sec; 17, Imperial College 14 min 51 sec; 18, Nottingham County IV 14 min 52 sec; 19 equal, Thames Tradesmen, Trent Poly, Imperial College III 14 min 53 sec. Other Winners: Senior A (coxed): Imperial College III 14 min 53 sec. Senior B (coxless): Kingston V 15 min 6 sec. Senior B (coxed): Leander VI 15 min 40 sec. Senior C (coxed): Emanuel School 15 min 40 sec. Junior: Kingston G.S. 15 min 21 sec. Veteran: Quintin II 15 min 23 sec. Novice: Sir William Borlase's II 16 min 52 sec.
Women: Quad: Thames VIII 16 min 4 sec. Coxed: Tideway Scullers III 16 min 11 sec. Senior B (coxed): Oxford University II 17 min 20 sec. Senior C (coxed): Thames XI 17 min 53 sec.

MOTOR RALLYING

GOTEMBA, Japan: International touring car five-hour endurance race: 1, P Dieudonne (Bel) and S Muller (WG), Volvo 240T, 177 laps (av spd 156.1 kph); 2, G Brancatelli (It) and T Lindstrom (Swe).

ROAD RUNNING

ALDERSHOT: Women's national road relay championship: Senior: 1, Sale; 2, Crawley; 3, Bracknell. Fastest lap: Debbie Peel (Crawley), 13.39min. Junior: 1, Sale; 2, Crawley; 3, Leicester. Fastest lap: A Holmes (Liverpool), 11.35min
KODAK SOUTHEND CLASSIC 10K: Men: 1, M Scruton (Tonbridge AC), 28min 46sec; 2, N Tennant (Luton United AC), 28:58; 3, G Payne (Southend on Sea AC), 28:594, C Rentz (Newham and Essec Beagles), 29:01. Women: 1, A Hollington (Thurrock), 33.15.
PONTOISE, France: 10K: 1, A Milovsorov (GB), 28min 24sec; 2, S Anders (GB), 28:48.

BOWLS

SEOL: Group A: One-third preliminary results. (average points after six games): 1, Yang Ae-Sook (S. Kor) 205.17; 2, B Jones (W.G) 194.50; 3, A Ismael (Indon) 187.00; 4, B Ostlund (Nor) 186.50; 5, A Rath (Den) 184.33; 6, F Pascoal (Neth) 183.83. British and Irish placings: 10, J Howlett 176.83; 11, M McEntee (Ire) 176.33

NETBALL

MERSEY BANK, Manchester: Super-Ten inter-region championship: 1, South region 66 points; 2, East, 64; 3, West Midlands, 60; 4, North West, 54; 5, South East, 48; 6, East Midlands, 46; 7, Yorks and Humberside, 34; 8, North, 28; 9, West, 11.

BASKETBALL:

UNITED STATES: Basketball Association: Friday: Los Angeles Lakers 125, Denver Nuggets 99; Boston Celtics 125, Phoenix Suns 101; San Antonio Spurs 107, Philadelphia 76ers 95; Detroit Pistons 117, Washington Bullets 110; Portland Trail Blazers 92, Seattle Supersonics 88, Golden State Warriors 130, Atlanta Hawks 119. Saturday: Atlanta Hawks 97, Los Angeles Clippers 84; Boston Celtics 124, Detroit Piston 105; New Jersey Nets 126, Milwaukee Bucks 123; Chicago Bulls 97, New York Knicks 94; Indiana Pacers 127, Phoenix Suns 105; Houston Rockets 115, Dallas Mavericks 110; Utah Jazz 121, Cleveland Cavaliers 114; Sacramento Kings 98, Seattle Supersonics 93

LACROSSE

BRIMS NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Ashton 10, Sale 14; Sheffield 8, Old Waconians 6; Sheffield University 14, Urmston 14; Stockport 13, Old Hutmeians 10; Beoherham 9, Enfield 15; Chapstead 18, Purley 12.

CYCLING

MUNICH: Six-day race: Leading placings after second night: 1, Freuler (Switz) and R Pijnen (Neth), 106 pts; One lap behind: 2, O Thurau and Kristen (WG) 105; 3, C Tourree and E de Wilde (Bel) 83, 4, H H Oarsted (Den) and R Herrmann (Liecht) 54, 5, G Wiggins (Aus) and A Doyle (GB) 53.

HOCKEY

NORWICH UNION EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Bishop's Stortford 1, Ipswich 1; Cambridge City 4, Broxbourne 0; Cambridgeshire Nomads 1, Bedford 0; Ford 0, Brentwood 4; Old Loughtonians 3, Harleston Magpies 1; Peterborough Town 2, Blueharts 1; St Neots 1, Cromlyn 1; Westcliff 1, Norfolk Wanderers 1.
PIZZA EXPRESS LONDON LEAGUE: Premier division: Southgate 3, Bromley 0. League: Bechenham 3, Dulwich 0; Cambridge University 2, Wimbledon 3; Chsam 0, Surbiton 2; Hawks 0: Hampstead 0: Hounslow 3; Spencer 2; London University 2, Old Kingstonians 1; Mid-Surrey 1, Oxford University 0; Purley 0; Blackheath 2; Reading 4, Guildford 3; Richmond 0, Maidenhead 0.
MCEWAN'S LARGER SOUTH LEAGUE: Premier division: Bognor 1, East Grinstead 1; Camberley 2, Eastcote 2; Ebesss 0, Indian Gymkhana 3; Fareham 2, Tunbridge Wells 2; Gore Court 4, Chicheser 5; Lycns 1, Trojans 1. Middx, Berks, Bucks & Oxon: Bracknell 3, Newbury 1; City of Oxford 3, Staines 0; Garrards Cross 0, Sunbury 3; Harrow Town Swans 5, Reading University 2; Hayes 2, Richings Park 1; Hendon 2, Marlow 3; Polytechnic 1; Old Merchant Taylors 3.
COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: North: Durham 1, Cheshire 1; Lancashire 7, Cumbria 0; Yorkshire 1, Northumberland 0 (Yorkshire and Lancashire qualify for national round). Midlands: Worcestershire 1, Staffordshire 0; Nottinghamshire 1, Northamptonshire 0; Derbyshire 3, Leicestershire 1; Warwickshire 4, Shropshire 1 (Worcs & Derbyshire qualify for final). West: Semi-finals: Devon 3, Somerset 1; Gloucestershire 2, Dorset 0. East: Final: No:folk 0, Essex 1.

CROSS-COUNTRY

BURY ST EDMUNDS: Representative match (5 miles): 1 equal, S Jones, R Hackney, M Flint (all RAF), 31min 17sec. Team: 1, RAF 28pts; 2, Eastern Counties 67; 3, RAF B 104.

CYCLO-CROSS

HARLOW: Spalmoff International (17 miles): 1, C Foucquet (Bel) 1hr 3min 47sec; 2, R Dane (Brook CC), 1:03:55; 3, R Dixon (Muirfield CC) 1:04:20.

CRICKET

MELBOURNE: Sheffield Shield: Tasmania 216 for four (K Bradshaw 72 not out, R Woolley 70; S Davis 2-40) v Victoria.

SNOOKER

WARRINGTON: Mercantile Credit Classic: First round: P Houlihan bt B Bennett, 5-0; G Cripsey bt T Drago (Malta), 5-4. Second round: s Hendry bt G Miles, 5-1; J Donnelly bt D Chalmers, 5-0; M Bradley bt B Oliver, 5-3; D Greaves bt P Watchorn, 5-4; J Wych (Can) bt B Demarco, 5-0; W King (Aus) bt S Duggan, 5-2; B Harris bt M Morra (Can), 5-3; P Francisco (SA) bt F Jonik (Can), 5-2; V Harris bt C Roscoe, 5-1; J Rea bt I Williamson, 5-4; I van Ransburg (SA) bt W Jones, 5-4; P Browne bt C Everton, 5-0; M Watterson bt G Jenkins (Aus), 5-2; D Fowler bt R Bales, 5-4; E Sinclair bt D Greaves, 5-1; G Rigitano (Can) bt L Dodd, 5-3; T Murphy bbt T Chappel, 5-4; J McLaughlin bt E McLaughlin, 5-2; B West bt J Meadowcroft, 5-0; J Ockleye bt S Longworth, 5-1; K Smith bt R Edmonds, 5-2; T Jones bt D Gilbert, 5-3; P Medati bt A Kearney, 5-2; F Davis bt B Kelly, 5-3; G Foulds bt I Black, 5-2.
T Jones bt W Thorne 5-3

BLACKPOOL: World amateur championships: Group A: J Long (Ire) bt S Robertson (NZ) 4-2; R Marshall (Eng) bt P Mifsud (Malta) 4-3; K Irwin (N Ire) bt I Adams (Maur) 4-0; E Eiman (Egypt) bt Long 4-1; Robertson bt M Lemby (Bel) 4-2; J Allen (Scot) bt M Hallgren (Swe) 4-3; G Lackenby (Aus) bt K Irwin (N Ire) 4-3.
Group B: T Sasilm (Thai) bt T Whitbread (Eng) 4-0; S Sawant (India) bt H Boteju (Sri Lanka) 4-0; A Thomson (Zim) bt T Dada (Pak) 4-2; J McNellan (Scot) bt Dada 4-1; G Kwok (NZ) bt L K Guan (Sing) 4-0; J McNellan (Scot) bt P Rivet (Maur) 4-0; H Boteju (Sri Lanka) bt P Reynolds (I of Man) 4-2; A Thomson (Zim) bt Rivet 4-0
Group C: J Grach (Malta) bt M Sobsie (Can) 4-0; J Bonner (Aus) bt K Sirisoma (Sri Lanka) 4-1, Grach bt H Ramje (Kenya) 4-0; D John (Wales) bt G Kwok (HK) 4-0; 4-1; H Bellamy (Egypt) bt H Ramje (Ken) 4-3; J Bonner (Aus) bt J Watana (Thai) 4-0; D Johns (Wales) bt A Agustsson (Ice) 4-0; L Bux (Pak) bt G Kwok (H-K) 4-3.
Group D: J Wright (Eng) bt A Robiuoux (Can) 4-2; B Bjorkman (Swe) bt L Nazareti (Egypt) 4-2; S Pavis (N Ire) walked over U Yassa (Sudan); Bjorkman bt K Fridthjofsson (Ice) 4-2; D Barron (Zim) bt J Wright (Eng) 4-1; Fridthjofsson bt Barron 4-0; M Bennett (Wales) bt G Burns (N Ire) 4-1. Nazareti bt Fridthjofsson 4-2; G Sethi (India) bt M Colquit (I of Man) 4-0; Burns w/o Yassa scr.

TENNIS

SYDNEY: Australian hard court championship: Semi-finals: P Doonan (Aus) bt C Miller (Aus), 6-4, 6-4; B Derlin (NZ) bt C Pridham (Can), 6-3, 6-3.
STOCKHOLM: Grand Prix tournament: Singles: Semi-final: J McEnroe (US) bt S Edberg (Swe), 6-3, 7-6. Final: McEnroe bt A Jarryd (Swe), 6-1, 6-2. Doubles: final: G Forget (Fr) and A Gomez (Ecuador) bt M De Palmer and G Donnelly (US), 8-3, 6-4.
TAMPA: Florida Open: Women's Singles: Quarter-finals: A White (US) bt L Border (US), 6-2, 6-4; C Bassett (Can) bt G Kim (US), 6-2, 7-5; S Reha (US) bt M Torres (US), 6-1, 6-2; G Sebatini (Arg) bt P Casale (US), 6-0, 6-1. Semi-finals: Reha bt Bassett, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.
LOOSDRECHT: Netherlands: Dutch Women's Open: Z Garrison (US) bt N Herreman (Fr), 6-0, 6-2; K Maleeva (Bul) bt V Ruzici (Rom), 7-5, 7-5; T Schauer-Larsen (Den) bt P Huber (Austria), 6-3, 6-1. Semi-finals: Maleeva bt Garrison, 6-3, 6-2; C Karlsson (Swe) bt Schaur-Larsen, 3-6, 3-0 retd injured. Final: Maleeva bt Karlsson, 6-3, 6-2.
HESTON: Benson and Hedges tournament: First qualifying round: L Pimek (Cz) bt I Curne, 6-2, 7-5; B Knapp bt F Beach, 6-1, 6-2; C Hooper (US) bt M Walker (Wales), 6-3, 7-6; P Fleming (US) bt P Moore, 6-2, 6-3; S Glickstein (Israel) bt S Ishringill, 7-6, 6-4; B Taroczy (Hun) bt S Bottfield, 6-2, 7-6; S Stewart (US) bt P Hand, 7-5, 6-2; S Perkiss (Israel) bt A Brice, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; T Ison (US) bt R Whichello, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3; S Denton (US) bt C van Rensburg (SA), 6-3, 6-4; M Davis (US) bt R Dryadale, 6-4, 7-6; M Robinson bt D Ison, 6-1, 6-1.
Second qualifying round: N Fulwood bt P Fleming (US) 4-6, 6-2,6-4; S Perkiss (Israel) bt J Feaver 6-3, 6-1; L Pimek (Cz) bt B Knapp 6-3, 6-4; C Hooper (US) bt D Sammel (SA) 7-6, 6-2; M Davis (US) bt M Robinson 6-4, 6-2; T Nelson (US) bt S Denton (US) 6-3, 6-3; S Glickstein (Israel) bt A Douglas 7-6, 6-4; B Taroczy (Hun) bt S Stewart (US) 3-6, 6-2, 7-5. Third qualifying round: (Winners into main draw): Pimek bt Hooper 6-2, 2-6, 8-6; Taroczy bt Perkiss 3-6, 6-3, 7-5; Glickstein bt Fulwood 6-1, 6-4; Nelson bt Davis 7-6, 7-6.

GOLF

MELBOURNE: Victorian PGA Championship: Leading final scores: (Australian unless stated): 270: R Davis, 69, 65, 69, 67. 277: O Moore, 68, 70, 71, 68. 281: W Riley, 65, 71, 68, 76. 282: M Colandro (US), 73, 73, 72, 63, 74; S Harper (Can), 70, 69, 74, 69; W Smith, 75, 72, 64, 71. M Clayton, 75, 68, 68, 71. 283: S Ginn, 74, 69, 69, 71; J Crow, 75, 69, 67, 72; I Stanley, 70, 68, 70, 75. 284: F Nobilo (NZ), 74, 68, 71, 71; J Clifford, 75, 69, 69, 72; P Croker, 74, 70, 70, 70; B Murray (US), 70, 67, 71, 76. British scores: 293: M Bembridge, 76, 71, 72, 74.
PALM DESERT, California: US mid-amateur championship: First round leaders: 67: D Saunders; B Holstad. 68: W Norwood; S Bogan. 71: R Sonnier; R Brown, A Bardha; B Loeffler.

BOXING

DUBLIN: Amateur international: Ireland v United States (Irish names first): Flyweights: J Lawlor lost to L Davis on pts. Bantamweight: J Lowry bt S Young on pts; R Nash bt C Jenkins on pts. Light welterweight: D Denny lost to D Roton on pts.

SPOTLIGHT ON VIOLENCE

POLICE PROVIDE A STRONG SUPPORTING ACT FOR MILLWALL AND LEEDS

The Den is draped in blue uniform as tight marking curbs danger men

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

Passers-by appeared to be amused by the scene. A small posse of seemingly innocent young men had been shepherded from the station, rounded up and hemmed in against a brick wall, they were outnumbered and surrounded by a phalanx of guards, who ranged in height from mounted policemen adorned with helmets to Alsatians wearing no more than fixed stares.

Such an ostentatious show of strength, to escort youths no more than several hundred yards down the road, might be seen as excessive but only by those who have never experienced the threat of hooliganism. On Saturday, for the potentially explosive fixture between Millwall and Leeds United, it was particularly comforting to see that the whole of New Cross seemed to be draped in a blue uniform.

It would have been easier to break out of Wormwood Scrubs than to gain entry to the Den without a ticket. Rows of policemen stood in front of barriers outside the ground to check either the validity of the necessary piece of paper or the excuse for the lack of it. The men on the turnstiles and the stewards inside were equally vigilant.

Nevertheless trouble occurred. Anyone who imagined that the life sentence imposed on the Chelsea supporter last Friday might act as a severe deterrent would have been disturbed by the initial response at the Den.

There were scuffles before Millwall's 3-1 victory and early in the second half several missiles, including wooden planks, were thrown by the home supporters at policemen standing nearby. A brick hit its intended target, and caused injury. Other missiles landed harmlessly on sodden turf and were cleared away without play being interrupted.

Nor were they the only nauseating features of a throughly depressing afternoon, during which 24 people were arrested. In one corner of the arena verbal taunts, obscene chants (one of Millwall's cleaner verses includes the line "no one likes us, we don't care") and provocative gestures were exchanged with tedious regularity for more than two hours.

Yet, ironically, the foul antics of the two notorious sets of followers last season are partly responsible for the current improvement in overall behaviour. But for the riots at Luton (involving Millwall) and Birmingham (Leeds), the apathy of the domestic authorities might have remained undisturbed and the extensive steps to rid the game of hooligans might not have been taken.

Statistics for the first third of the season are encouraging. Some 550 spectators have been arrested inside League grounds, about the same number have been apprehended outside, and twice as many have been ejected. A total of 2,200 miscreants so far out of a total audience of almost five million, and, more significantly, no serious outbreaks of crowd violence.

Bert Millichip, the chairman of the Football Association, says that "it would be naive to think that we have solved the problem because we haven't had any trouble. It may well be because of the new measures, the considerable police assistance, and the government's help that the trouble is being experienced away from League grounds."

The public can reasonably expect to be protected in as volatile a region as Cold Blow Lane on Saturday, but it would be naive to think that UEFA should be preparing to lift the ban imposed on English clubs in Europe, subjecting continental towns and cities to similar precautions.

Millwall, fearing mayhem, were clearly justified in requesting masive police presence (including four vans to lead a convoy of 15 coaches at the start of their journey back to Leeds). But it would be wildly optimistic to envisage continental opponents, particularly in the smaller countries, being able to summon similar heavy, costly, and, more important, experienced forces.

The crowd at the Den, though Millwall's biggest so far, was only 9,150. Those who are interested saw Lovell put Millwall ahead with a penalty after Fashanu had been pushed by Linighan, Lowndes, amid a static defence, and Baird, with an own goal, increased their lead before Ritchie's free kick eventually reduced it.

Leeds, who failed to test a goalkeeper who had made 24 appearances for his country, Trinidad, before making his first for his club, received four bookings to Millwall's one. It could have been worse. None of the officials saw Dickinson floor Leslie off the ball.

The contest between two sides managed by former Scottish internationals and caught in the lower reaches of the second division, match the grey clouds overhead. It was colourless and undistinguished.

Hooliganism may have been suppressed for the moment by police, but the dangers of the disease remain, and, if ever the blue line proves too thin, the consequences could again be frighteningly damaging.

● Police made 32 arrests when they were called to fights, before and after the match between Sheffield Wednesday and Manchester United at Hillsborough on Saturday.



Close encounter: Marwood is given little space by Moran at Hillsborough

Meagre fare for the vultures

By David Powell

Sheffield Wednesday.....1
Manchester United.....0

The Sheffield Wednesday chairman found his way to the Hillsborough Press room for the first time on Saturday. He wanted to remonstrate against those who had been saying football is a troubled game. "Nobody dare tell me football is dead," he said. When your team has just ended the unbeaten League run of the first division leaders emotion tends to run thicker than reason.

What Bert McGee might have said, instead of suggesting that all is well everywhere, is that there is nothing wrong with football in Sheffield. Wednesday are unbeaten in seven League matches and were worthy winners in front of 48,105, some 9,000 more than watched the corresponding fixture last season. And, down the road, United, who like Wednesday began the decade in the third division, have won their last five games and may soon be back among the elite.

"We have shown a lot of character because at the end of September we were being written off," Howard Wilkinson, the Wednesday manager, said. "We got a couple of bad results and the vultures were threatening to descend on the carcass." Certainly character best describes the win over United. It was a dour game which offered few chances, but Wednesday, with Blair outstanding, were always more ready to feed off scraps.

Chapman scored the winning goal, just as he did last season at the beginning of a lean spell for United had become too used to Wednesday wasting corners as Marwood struck several of them short of the near post. Chamberain, the substitute, found the range within three minutes of coming on and Chapman was left unmarked to glance in a header six minutes from time.

Hodge, making his 100th consecutive appearance in goal for Wednesday, suffered only two anxious moments, saving at close range from Barnes and Hughes, as his defence, Madden in particular, stood firm. At the other end Stapleton blocked when Shelton seemed likely to score and Thompson stepped out of Moran's shadow for just long enough to send an overhead kick narrowly wide.

Robson, returning from injury, lasted only 15 minutes before a recurrence of his hamstring problem. He had put Wednesday on the retreat and, had he played the 90 minutes, United might now be 16 matches unbeaten. His midfield colleague, Whiteside, came through a tempestuous match unscathed; but his workrate will need to improve considerably at Wembley on Wednesday night if he is to take advantage of Robson's absence from the England team and steer Northern Ireland to the draw which should be enough to take them to the World Cup finals.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY: M Hodge; M Sterland, G Snodin, I Madden, C Morris, P Hart, B Marwood (sub M Chamberlain), A Blair, L Chapman, G Thompson, G Shelton.
MANCHESTER UNITED: G Bailey; J Gidman, A Albiston, N Whiteside, P McGrath, K Moran, B Robson (sub: G Strachan), J Olsen M Hughes, F Stapleton, P Barnes.
Referee: J Bray (Hinckley).

Robson unlikely to need replacements

By Stuart Jones

Bobby Robson yesterday confirmed that Bryan Robson, Hateley and Barnes have been withdrawn from England's World Cup qualifying tie against Northern Ireland at Wembley on Wednesday night. Unless Francis and particularly Wilkins report to the training headquarters today with injuries, he has no plans to call for any replacements.

Bobby Robson reemphasized that there will be no collusion between the two home countries. "The Irish will have to earn on merit anything they get out of the match. We can't play anything less than highly professionally and competitively. We want to be the only European team to qualify without being beaten.

"There is hardly anybody in the country who does not want Billy Bingham's team to go through, but we can't give them anything and they wouldn't want us to do so anyway. Besides we've got players who are playing for their places in the team, not just in the squad. I'll be scrutinizing them."

He was talking about Dixon in particular whom he saw on Saturday. "I've never seen him play that well. His appreciation and his vision have developed and he looks more accomplished. He will be roaring on Wednesday and Francis is another individual who is desperate to play."

Three years ago Robson was present when West Germany beat Austria 1-0 in a World Cup tie in Spain, which enabled the two neighbouring countries to advance to the second round, a performance which was widely regarded as disgraceful. "The two teams played the ball in every direction except forwards and once the goal had been scored after 10 minutes they seemed to settle for that. It left a very sour taste and has got nothing to do with football at this or any other level."

He described his recent trip to Mexico as "invaluable". He visited the two centres where England are likely to be based, Monterey and Leon, as well as the capital city. There are isolated pockets of devastation but not one per cent of Mexico City has been damaged. The hotels and the stadia are all fine and the communications, with which they have had problems, are improving rapidly.

He is less optimistic, however, that England will be included among the top seeds. Italy, Brazil, Mexico and West Germany are sure to be favoured.

Merseyside double to remember

By Vince Wright

It has taken Everton some time to recapture the splendid teamwork which enabled them to collect two trophies last season but after Saturday's remarkable 6-1 home victory over Arsenal there can be little doubt that the machine is running smoothly again.

Everton were irresistible but Arsenal's defence was untypically brittle. Lineker, in the sort of form which should strike fear into Northern Ireland's hearts began Arsenal's destruction with a couple of goals in the first half and Heath (2), Sharp and Steven, with a penalty, heaped further embarrassment on them after the inerval. Nicholas scored Arsenal's consolation goal.

It was a weekend for Merseyside to remember, for Liverpool reduced Manchester United's lead in the first division to seven points after a comfortable 3-0 win at Coventry City. Ogrizovic, the former Liverpool goalkeeper, had an unhappy match against his old club, being at fault with goals by Beglin and Walsh. Rush added a third near the end.

West Ham United moved into fifth place and stretched their unbeaten League run to 12 games with a 2-1 success at Oxford United. For once McAvennie did not figure on the score sheet. Oxford had the better of the opening exchanges and went ahead through Aldridge. Cottee, with his eleventh goal in 13 matches, equalized before half-time and Ward scored West Ham's winner with a ferocious free kick from 35 yards.

Birmingham City and West Bromwich Albion, two of the division's strugglers, harmed their chances of survival by losing 1-0 at home to Newcastle United and Queen's Park Rangers respectively. To make matters worse both Birmingham and West Bromwich had a player sent off.

Clarke was dismissed with 10 minutes to go and Nicholl received his marching orders after half an hour. An early goal by Reilly sent Birmingham to their sixth consecutive League defeat and even earlier one from Robinson kept West Bromwich anchored at the foot of the table.

With Portsmouth inactive, Wimbledon, unlikely promotion candidates, lost an opportunity of making up lost ground on be second division leaders, having Cork sent off in their 2-1 defeat at Sunderland, for whom Swindlehurst scored twice. Charlton Atiletic, who were also unfancied before the start of the season, leapfrogged over Wimbledon by virtue of a 2-0 away victory over Huddersfield Town, who lie third, went behind after two minutes at Oldham Athletic and then scored five goals themselves in an outstanding display.

Luton ring Spurs' alarm bells

By Clive White

Tottenham Hotspur 1
Luton Town 3

Half a dozen Rolls-Royces, all parked neatly in a line outside the entrance, was just another reminder of the affluence that abounds on match days at White Hart Lane. David Pleat, the manager of the first Luton Town team to win at the ground in 37 years, was side-eyed merely at the comparatively modest yet spacious splendour of the new Pressroom. Is it any wonder, then, that Tottenham Hotspur, the team, have problems separating the necessary sweat and toil of their business from such pleasurable surroundings?

Even at the imposing homes of Liverpool and Everton, the areas of work and of play seem to be nothing like as incompatible as they are at Tottenham. The difference is perhaps psycological as much as anything, and not easily explained, just as most of us without knowing precisely why, are convinced that Charlie Nicholas would be a better player at Liverpool than at Arsenal.

Northerners have a term for it – "southern softies". This came to mind on Saturday watching Tottenham feebly surrender to an impressive Luton side, looking more solid and businesslike than ever before. Perhaps it was their new dark blue away suit. It was a defeat, Tottenham's third consecutive one in the League, which had the alarm bells ringing right through this security-conscious club. Directors slipped away into the wet and windy night bearing false smiles and amid rumours of an emergency board meeting. The worst aspect of this latest calamity to befall Tottenham was that one fully expected them to lose this home match against opposition modestly, if misleadingly, placed in the First Division. Perhaps the supporters feared as much; at 19,163, the attendance was clearly the worst ever for this fixture.

One would hope that the answer is not to dismiss the likeable Peter Shreeve as manager. And until such time as Tottenham eject themselves from on of the cups, that is unlikely. Whether or not his purchases, totalling £2.25 million since he took over at the start of last season, are wise ones can only be gauged once they all start playing, metaphorically as well as physically. At the moment he is without two of them, Paul Allen and Chiedozie, as well as earlier big money signings like Clive Allen, Ardiles and Thomas, and the less costly Galvin. Commendably, Shreeve refuses to offer these injuries as an excuse, though it is a perfectly valid one. Pleat said he would have had to call off the game with that number of injuries ("He's a nice man, David," Shreeve commented).

Instead, Shreeve spoke of lack of confidence and coinage among his players. "We've got a mountain to climb here," he said. He hinted that there would be more changes for next week's game at Old Trafford than those necessitated by the possible return of Paul Allen. Thomas and Galvin. Shreeve feels let down by some of the more experienced players. Roberts was uncharacteristically uncombative. His distribution, too, was woefully awry, and he volunteered for extra training the next day.

Shreeve's fear is that, after the progress made last season to establish themselves as serious championship contenders, they are slipping back into their indifferent league ways of the last 25 years. One could see the confidence seep out of them when Luton went ahead in the 20th-minute through Harford. What goalmouth incident there was in a nonetheless enjoyable performance by the visitors was invariably around the Tottenham goal, and Nwajiobi, almost certainly one of the three passengers Pleast said his side were carrying, had two excellent opportunities to score before Stein did so, stunningly in the 62nd minute. The misery of his international debute in Paris seemed a long way behind him, judging by the way he turned away from Roberts and sped off on an arc around the home defence before unleashing a fine left-foot shot, of all things, past Clemence.

Proof that Tottenham's worst injury was in their heads or their heart could be seen in the way the patient perked up when Cooke, the substitute, reduced the arrears. A complete recovery then would have been ill-deserved and anyway they soon suffered a relapse when Hill steered in a third in the last minute after stout work by Harford.

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR: R Clemence; G Stevens, C Hughton, G Roberts, G Mabbutt, S Perryman, I Crook (Sub: R Crooks), M Falco, D Leworthy, G Hoddle, C Waddle.

LUTON TOWN: L Sealey; T Breacker, M Thomas, P Nicholas, S Foster, M Donaghy, R Hill, B Stein, M Hartford, E Nwajiobi, D Preece

Referee: I. Shapter (South Devon).



Roberts: Uncombative

Dixon just the ticket

By Simon O'Hagan

Chelsea.....4
Nottingham Forest 2

Any Super-League would be graced by the kind of football produced at Stamford Bridge Saturday. In a match which was more closely contested than the score suggests, the imagination and style inderent in both sides' performances underlined the view that whatever may be wrong with the game off the field, there is much on it that is heartening.

Bobby Robson, the England manager, must have left the game feeling especially optomistic. He had seen just what he wanted from Chelsea's Dixon, the likely replacement for he injured Hateley in Wednesday's World Cup tie against Northern Ireland, and just what he would have hoped for from Nottingham Forest's Davenport a forward in a rather different mould.

Dixon's scoring record speaks for itself, his two goals on Saturday taking his total for the season in all competitions to 13. But he does not create goals out of nothing, nor, despite his size, is he a very intimidating player. His chief attributes are his accuracy of shot and his position sense, which England would do well to exploit as Nevin and Hazard did on Saturday.

Davenport is more inventive, with the ability to retain the ball under pressure and then deliver the short, telling pass. It is perhaps his bad luck that he does not quite fit in with what Robson wants at the moment, but his time may come.

Forest were going for their sixth successive League victory, but were never sufficiently i command for that to become a real possibility. They gave a goal within two minutes when Niedzqiecki's long clearance eluded Butterworth and Speedie drove the ball in; then, after Davenport had wriggled along the by-line to give Clough the chance to score a quick equaliser, Forest let in two more before half time.

Chelsea's second was a beauty: a wonderfully timed through-ball fron Nevin and no messing from Dixon. A penalty by Hazard after Birtles had handled made it 3-1 before Forest produced their best football early in the second half. It was then that Carr, their much vaunted winger, finally got into the game, though on the whole he was kept well in check by Dublin. Clough put Forest back in contention before Dixon made all but certain of his England place, a volley into the roof of the net after Speedie had headed down McLaughlin's chip.

CHELSEA: E. Niedzwiecki; D. Wood, K Dublin, C. Pates, J. McLaughlin, K. Jones, P Nevin, N. Spackman, K. Dixon, D. Speedie, M. Hazard.
NOTTINGHAM FOREST: S. Sutton; G. Mills, S. Pearce, I. Butterworth, G. Birtles, N. Webb, F. Carr, J. Metgod, N. Clough, P. Davenport, B. Rice (sub: D. Walker).
Referee: R. Milford (Bristol).

● The Chelsea-Everton fourth round Milk Cup tie has been put back to November 26 to make David Speedie and Graeme Sharp available for possible Scotland duty against Australia on November 20.

'Superclub' chiefs in secret talks

Football faces up to the Super League threat at a "secret" meeting in London today.

First and second division chairmen have been called together 24 hours in advance of their "official" meeting, under the auspices of the Football League. "Certain clubs have proposals to put to the others," Martin Edwards, chairman of Manchester United said.

United would be at the forefront of any breakaway attempt and today they and other top clubs will spell out exactly what is required to save the existing structure. "The first division clubs will meet in the morning and then we will be joined by second division chairman," Edwards said.

The second division has always strongly resisted change, making progress impossible under the League's 75 per cent majority rule. Now, with crowds down in the wake of Bradford, Brussels and Birmingham and the loss of advertising revenue and other television spin-offs, reform looks certain.

● Middlesbrough have rejected a request from the second division leaders, Portsmouth, to play Saturday's postponed match at Fratton Park tomorrow. Middlesbrough say that their players, who are ill with gastro-enteritis, will not have recovered by then.

Tonic for Rangers

By Hugh Taylor

Rangers have fought their way back into contention in the race for premier division championship in splendid style. They played impressively to gain their most satisfying victory of the season by beating their arch rivals, Celtic, 3-0 at Ibrox. Now they find themselves in second place in the league, only three points behind Aberdeen.

Goals from Durrant, Cooper and McMinn gave Rangers the win to end a depressing run in which they had collected only two points out of eight. They were far ahead of their opponents in teamwork, brilliant individualism and confidence. The Celtic manager, David Hay, sadly said: "The better team won and they showed all through that they wanted to win much more than we did".

Thus the Celtic slump continues. They experimented with a new defensive system involving three centre backs but this was no more successful than the orthodox formation which has been so severely criticized recently. The defeat leaves Celtic in third position, and they have conceded 10 goals in the last three matches.

It was not the most robust of Old Firm clashes but that the premier division yields to no other in terms of pace and virility was ruefully acknowledged by McGhee, the new Celtic forward, who has been playing with Hamburg. He said about the game: "The pace surprised me after a spell in West German football – and I had certainly forgotten about tackling like that".

The most significant result, however, was Aberdeen's 4-1 defeat of Dundee at Pittodrie, taking the champions into a three-point lead and making them even firmer favourites to retain the title.

Aberdeen leave all the others far behind in playing strength. Although they were without four regulars, all victims of influenza, the young deputies fitted into their style so well that the manager, Alex Ferguson, said: "This was our best display of the season". Stark (2), McLeish and McDougall scored the Aberdeen goals but the man of the match was Gray, aged 18, whose pace on the right wing left the opposing defenders floundering. Stephen was the Dundee marksman.

A 0-0 draw was the correct result of the Edinburgh derby between Hibernian and Heart of Midlothian at Easter Road. Despite the lack of goals, the spectators were kept on their toes in what was a stern encounter.

Dundee United followed up their UEFA Cup success with a 3-0 victory over Motherwell at Tannadice, a result which puts them into fourth place in the league table.

● The Southampton defender Kevin Bond has been put on the transfer list at his own request. Bond joined Southampton 14 months ago from Manchester City for £60,000.

First division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester United	16	13	2	1	35	7	41
Liverpool	16	10	4	2	35	14	34
Sheffield Wed	16	9	4	3	25	23	31
Chelsea	16	9	3	4	25	17	30
West Ham United	16	8	5	3	28	18	29
Everton	16	8	3	5	33	19	27
Arsenal	16	8	3	5	20	21	27
Newcastle United	16	7	5	4	24	23	26
Nottingham Forest	16	8	1	7	28	26	25
Luton Town	16	6	6	4	29	20	24
QPR	16	7	2	7	17	21	23
Watford	16	6	4	6	31	29	22
Tottenham	15	6	2	7	28	22	20
Aston Villa	16	4	6	6	21	22	18
Southampton	16	4	6	6	19	33	18
Coventry City	16	4	5	7	21	24	17
Birmingham City	15	3	5	7	11	22	14
Oxford United	17	3	5	8	23	33	15
Leicester City	17	3	5	8	21	34	15
Manchester City	16	2	6	8	14	25	12
Ipswich Town	16	2	3	11	8	25	9
West Bromwich	16	1	3	12	13	39	6

WORLD CUP: Oceania Group: Israel 3, New Zealand 0.
Final positions

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Australia	6	4	2	0	20	2	10
Israel	6	3	1	2	17	6	7
New Zealand	6	3	1	2	13	7	7
Taiwan	6	0	0	6	1	36	0

GOLA LEAGUE: Altrincham 7, Nuneaton 4; Barrist 1; Northwich 0; Barrow 1, Maidstone 1; Boston Utd. 2, Runcorn 1; Cheltenham 2, Dagenham 2; Dartford 3, Sedford 3; Scarborough 2, Bath 1; Wealdstone 2, Wycombe 0; Weymouth 5, Telford 2.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier Div: Alvechurch 1, Farnham 1; Basingstoke 1, Chelmsford 0; Crawley 4, Witney 1; Dudley 3, Fisher 2; Gravesend 0, Shepshed 2; R S Southampton 0, Corby 4; Welling 3, King's Lynn 0; Wilenhall 1, Gosport 1; Worcester 1, Folkestone 4.

Midland Div: Bridgnorth 4, Moor Green 2; Bromsgrove Rvrs 4, Rushden 1; Forest Green Rovers 4, Leicester Utd 2; Grantham 0, Coventry Sporting 0; Oldbury Utd 0, Merthyr Tydfil 4; Redditch Utd 1, Stourbridge 0; Sutton Coldfield 3, Bilston 3; Wellingborough 3 VS Rugby 0.

Southern Div: Andover 1, Ruislip 1; Ashford 0, Trowbridge 1; Burnham and Hillingdon 1, Sheppey Utd 0; Dorchester 0, Corinthian 3; Dunstable 4, Dover Athletic 2; Erith and Belvedere 2, Thanet Utd 1; Salisbury 3, Canterbury City 1; Tonbridge AFC 1, Wartonville 1; Woodford 2, Poole 1.

Second division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Portsmouth	15	11	2	2	29	8	35
Charlton	16	9	3	4	30	18	30
Sheffield United	16	8	5	3	31	19	29
Wimbledon	16	8	4	4	18	14	28
Oldham Athletic	16	8	3	5	26	20	27
Norwich City	16	7	5	4	27	17	26
Blackburn Rovers	16	7	5	4	17	13	26
Barnsley	16	7	3	6	19	13	25
Crystal Palace	16	7	3	6	22	20	24
Brighton	16	6	4	6	26	23	22
Hull City	16	5	6	5	27	21	21
Sunderland	16	5	6	5	18	23	21
Leeds United	16	5	5	6	19	27	20
Grimsby Town	16	4	6	6	24	22	18
Bradford City	15	5	3	7	17	22	18
Huddersfield Town	16	4	6	6	20	26	18
Millwall	16	5	3	8	21	28	18
Stoke City	16	3	7	6	16	20	16
Fulham	14	4	4	6	12	19	16
Shrewsbury Town	16	3	5	8	13	27	14
Middlesbrough	15	3	5	7	17	16	12
Carlisle United	16	2	3	11	17	41	9

VAUXHALL OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Bishop's Stortford 2, Carshalton 1; Croydon 3, Farnborough 2; Dulwich 2, Worthing 2; Epsom & Ewell 3, Barking 0; Harrow 1, Hayes 0; Hitchin 2, Windsor & Eton 4, Hendon 0. First division: Aveley 0, Harlow 2; Bromley 1, Basildon 1; Chesham 1, Finchley 0; Hampton 1, Leatherhead 2; Hornchurch 0, Wembley 1; Leyton-Wingate 3, Boreham Wood 3; Maidenhead United 1, St Albans 2; Stalnes 3, Tilbury 2; Uxbridge 4, Oxford City 0; Walton and Hersham 5, Grays 1. Second division north: Berkhamsted 2, Tring 0; Chalfont St Peter 2, Ware 0; Harefield 6, Clapton 1; Hemel Hempstead 2, Chesham 2; Hertford 2, Stevenage 1; Letchworth 3, Rainham 5; Wolverton 1, Haringey 1. Second division south: Banstead 1, Ruislip Manor 1; Camberley 2, Marlow 4; Dorking 2, Newbury 1; Hackwell Heath 3, Metropolitan Police 0; Hungerford 0, Petersfield 1; Molesey 1, Egham 0; Southall 3, Whyteleafe 0; Woking 0, Bracknell 0.

COMBINATION: Arsenal 3, Birmingham 0; Bristol R 1, Tottenham 2; Luton 0, Crystal Palace 2; QPR 1, Watford 5; Reading 1, Oxford 1; Southampton 2, Portsmouth 2; West Ham 9, Swindon 3.

Third division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Reading	18	16	1	1	33	14	49
Blackpool	18	10	2	6	40	20	32
Plymouth Argyle	18	9	4	5	27	19	31
Derby County	17	9	3	5	35	17	30
York City	18	9	3	6	35	22	30
Walsall	18	9	3	6	34	24	30
Gillingham	18	8	6	4	32	23	30
Notts County	18	8	6	4	28	24	30
Wigan Athletic	18	8	5	5	28	18	29
Brentford	18	8	5	5	23	25	29
Doncaster Rovers	18	7	7	4	21	20	28
Chesterfield	18	6	7	5	20	18	25
Bury	18	6	6	7	34	29	24
Bournemouth	18	7	1	10	29	29	22
Bristol Rovers	18	5	7	6	27	34	22
Bristol City	18	5	7	6	21	29	22
Bolton Wanderers	18	5	4	9	18	26	19
Newport County	18	3	9	6	15	20	18
Rotherham United	18	4	6	8	19	25	18
Lincoln City	18	4	5	9	17	24	17
Darlington	17	4	3	10	29	40	15
Wolverhampton	18	4	3	11	26	43	15
Swansea City	18	4	3	11	16	35	15
Cardiff City	18	3	2	13	16	38	11

WESTERN LEAGUE: Chippenham Town 3, Barnstaple 0; Frome 0, Melksham 3; Mangotsfield Utd 2, Bideford 4; Minehead 1, Clandown 0; Plymouth Argyle 0, Clevedon 1; Shepton Mallet 0, Bristol City 4; Taunton 3, Cheid 1; Torrington 1, Bristol Manor Farm 1.

S.E. COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Chelsea 8, Portsmouth 0; Orient 2, Fulham 4; QPR 0, Charlton 2; Ipswich 1, Norwich 3; Millwall 1, Cambridge Utd 0; Tottenham 1, Arsenal 1; Watford 4, West Ham 4. Second division: Brighton 2, Brentford 1; Bristol Rovers 5, Colchester 0; Luton 0, Wimbledon 1; Oxford 0, Tottenham 1; Reading 1, Swindon 4

NORTHERN LEAGUE: Billingham 2, Crook 2; Blyth Spartans 3, Spennymoor Utd 0; Chaster le St 0, Billingham Synthonia 1; Consett 1, Ryehope CA 2; Ferryhill Athletic 3, Brandon Utd 2; Peterlee 1, North shields 2; South Bank 4, Bishop Auklend 1; Tow Law 1, Bedlington 0.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE CUP: 1st Round 1st leg: Gearsaston 2, Morecambe 2; Chorley 2, Gateshead 1; Bainsborough 2, Buxton 4; Mossley 2, Matlock 1; Southport 4, Rhyl 0.

Fourth division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Aldershot	18	10	5	3	30	20	35
Cambridge United	18	10	5	3	35	26	35
Exeter City	18	9	6	3	30	11	33
Halifax Town	18	9	5	4	34	22	32
Mansfield Town	18	10	2	6	31	27	32
Orient	18	9	4	5	27	19	31
Port Vale	18	9	3	6	35	22	30
Scunthorpe United	18	8	6	4	32	17	30
Southend United	18	9	3	6	34	22	30
Torquay United	18	8	5	5	28	18	29
Tranmere Rovers	18	8	4	6	22	24	28
Wrexham	18	7	7	4	21	20	28
Chester	17	10	5	2	37	17	35
Southend United	18	10	5	3	35	26	35
Port Vale	18	9	6	3	30	11	33
Mansfield Town	18	9	5	4	34	22	32
Orient	18	9	3	6	34	24	30
Hartlepool United	18	10	2	6	31	27	32
Swindon Town	17	10	1	6	21	19	31
Colchester United	18	9	2	7	32	26	29
Hereford United	18	8	4	6	29	24	28
Rochdale	17	8	4	5	23	26	28
Tranmere Rovers	18	7	4	7	30	27	25
Burnley	18	7	3	8	24	25	24
Wrexham	18	6	6	6	24	32	24
Stockport County	17	6	5	6	23	27	23
Northampton	18	6	4	8	35	27	22
Peterborough	18	5	7	6	24	32	22
Aldershot	18	6	3	9	24	28	21
Crewe Alexandra	18	5	5	8	23	30	20
Exeter City	17	4	6	7	16	23	18
Scunthorpe United	18	4	5	9	17	24	17
Halifax Town	18	3	6	9	22	31	15
Preston North End	17	4	3	10	23	35	15
Cambridge United	18	4	3	11	24	42	15
Torquay United	18	3	3	12	17	43	12

SPARTAN LEAGUE: Collier Row 2, Redhill 1; Crown and Manor 0, Beaconsfield Utd 0; Edgware 2, Waltham Abbey 1; Northwood 0, Yeading 1; Swanley 1, Amersham 1; Thatcham 2, Brimsdown Rovers 1.

LONDON SENIOR CUP: Second qualifying round: BROB Barnet 1, Southwark Sports 2; Beckingsale 2, Ford 0; Danson 4, Chingford 0; Hoddeson 2, Pennant 1; Penhill Standard 0, RASRA 2; Wanseworth 0, Southgate 3.

ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE: Chelmsford 2, Maldon 1; Coggeshall 1, Stansted 3; East Ham 1, Bowers 1; Halstead 0, Brightlingsea 2; Sawbridgeworth 2, East Thurrock 2; Witham 1, Burnham Ramblers 0; Wivenhoe 1, Canvey Island 0.

SUSSEX SENIOR CUP: Second round: Bognor Regis 3, Whitehawk 1; Bosham 3, Eastbourne United 3; Burgas Hill 3, Franklands Village 0; East Grinstead 1, Lewes 3; Hailsham 5, Portfield 1; Haywards Heath 2, Arundel 2; Lancing 1, Horsham 0; Pegham 0, Hastings Town 5; Ringmar 0, Eastbourne town 2; Shoreham 0, Southwick 5; Sidley 3, Peacehaven and Telscombe 4; Steyning 2, Brighton Reserves 2; Wick 1, Littlehampton 2.

Fifth division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Enfield	18	12	4	2	37	17	40
Wycombe	18	11	4	3	35	26	37
Maidstone	18	10	5	3	30	16	35
Kettering	18	9	5	4	32	17	32
Wealdstone	18	9	4	5	27	19	31
Runcorn	18	8	5	5	27	20	29
Telford	18	8	4	6	29	24	28
Boston	18	7	5	6	24	22	26
Scarborough	18	7	4	7	28	27	25
Altrincham	18	6	6	6	21	24	24
Nuneaton	18	6	5	7	23	24	23
Barrow	18	6	4	8	20	25	22
Bath	18	5	6	7	20	25	21
Gateshead	18	5	5	8	20	28	20
Boreham Wood	18	5	4	9	20	28	19
Northwich	18	4	5	9	19	28	17
Frickley	18	3	6	9	19	31	15
Stafford	18	3	5	10	19	31	14

Scottish premier division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Aberdeen	14	8	4	2	31	13	20
Rangers	14	7	3	4	21	12	17
Celtic	13	7	2	4	20	16	16
Dundee United	13	5	4	4	18	13	14
Hearts	14	5	4	5

CRICKET

Australia are laid to waste in wake of Hadlee's hurricane

Brisbane (Reuter) – New Zealand amassed their highest ever Test score as they continued to make Australia squirm in the first Test here yesterday. By the close of the third day they had carried their first innings score to 553 for seven, a lead of 374 runs.

In a match which has already seen the creation of a number of New Zealand records, Martin Crowe yesterday took his score to 188, the highest individual innings by a New Zealander against Australia. He and John Reid, who made 108, carried their stand to 224, made in five hours, to beat the New Zealand third wicket Test record. Crowe batted 472 minutes and hit 26 fours.

Richard Hadlee rubbed salt into Australia's wounded pride with a whirlwind 54, which included four sixes and four fours.

On Saturday, Hadlee claimed the astonishing bowling figures of nine for 52, to put his team firmly in control of the match. He took full advantage of the storm clouds drifting across the ground as he produced the fourth-best return in Tests and reduced Australia from 146 for four to 179 all out.

Hadlee's analysis ranks behind only those of two bowlers, both of England: Jim Laker, who took 10 for 53 and nine for 37 against Australia at Manchester in 1956 and George Lohmann, who took nine for 28 against South Africa in 1895.

As Hadlee led his team off, to a standing ovation, the clous parted and the sun broke through for the first time. Hadlee acknowledged the conditions. He said: "The pitch was green, there was moisture and the ball was good. It maintained its shine throughout, it swung appreciably in the air and it seamed off the pitch."

Hadlee surrendered his chance of all 10 wickets when he cought Lawson at mid-on off Vaughan Brown.



Hadlee: nine wickets

AUSTRALIA: First Innings

K C Wessels l-b-w b Hadlee	70
A M J Hilditch c Chatfield b Hadlee	0
D C Boon c Coney b Hadlee	31
*A R Border c Edgar b Hadlee	0
G M Ritchie c M D Crowe b Hadlee	8
†W B Phillips b Hadlee	34
G R J Matthews b Hadlee	2
G F Lawson c Hadlee b Brown	6
C J McDermott c Coney b Hadlee	9
D R Gilbert not out	0
R G Holland c Brown b Hadlee	0
Extras (b 9, l-b 5, n-b 2)	16
Total	179

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–1, 2–70, 3–72, 4–82, 5–148, 6–150, 7–159, 8–175, 9–178, 10–179.

BOWLING: Hadlee 23.4-4-52-9; Chatfield 18-6-29-0; Snedden 11-1-45-0; M D Crowe 5-0-14-0; Brown 12-5-17-1; Coney 7-5-8-0.

NEW ZEALAND: First Innings

B A Edgar c Phillips b Gilbert	17
J G Wright l-b-w b Matthews	46
J F Reid c Border b Gilbert	108
M D Crowe b Matthews	188
*J V Coney c Holland b Matthews	22
J J Crowe c Holland b Matthews	35
V R Brown not out	36
R J Hadlee c Phillips b McDermott	54
†I D S Smith not out	2
Extras (b 2, l-b 11, n-b 32)	45
Total (7 wkts)	553

M C Snedden and E J Chatfield to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–38, 2–85, 3–309, 4–362, 5–427, 6–471, 7–549.

BOWLING: Lawson 36.5-8-86-1; McDermott 31-3-119-1; Gilbert 39-8-102-2; Matthews 31-5-110-3; Holland 22-3-106-0; Wessels 1-0-7-0; Border 0.1-0-0-0.

● Nelspruit, South Africa (AP) – The "rebel" Australians scored 283 for seven yesterday to defeat a Northern Transvaal Country Districts XI by 152 runs at Lowveld in a one-day match. The District XI were all out for 131. A match on Saturday between the same sides was callled off because of rain.

De Silva on his own in uphill struggle

Karachi (Reuter) – Aravinda de Silva carved out a defiant, unbeaten century on Saturday and prevented a Sri Lankan rout on the third day of the third and final test against Pakistan. De Silva hit 103 not out in 265 minutes out of a Sri Lanka second innings total of 216 for eight, a lead of only 83. It was his second century of the tour. Yesterday was a rest day.

De Silva, who made his Test debut last year, fought a lone battle against seam and spin after he arrived at the crease with the total 14 for one. Wickets fell regularly at the other end. De Silva hit 16 fours and reached his century with a majestic pull to the mid-wicket boundary off a delivery from Abdul Qadir.

Sri Lanka were never comfortable against the Pakistan attack, led first by fast bowler Imran Khan then off-spinner Tauseef Ahmed. They took three for 28 and three for 45 respectively.

Imran, the acting Pakistan captain because Javed Miandad was resting with a thumb injury, broke through with two wickets before lunch, taken at 52 for two. He had Ratnayeke caught behind for only three off the the last ball of his fourth over, then forced Wettimuny to edge a catch to the wicketkeeper with the last ball of his next over. Wettimuny made 10. Tauseef dismissed Madugalle and de Mel equally cheaply in the closing stages.

Play was halted for 20 minutes after lunch when spectators hurled fruit and other objects on to the pitch.

SRI LANKA: First Innings 162 (Abdul Qadir 5 for 44)

Second Innings

S Wettimuny c Yousuf b Imran	10
J R Ratnayeke c Yousuf b Imran	3
P A de Silva not out	103
R L Dias c Malik b Qadir	4
A Ranatunga c Yousuf b Akram	26
†A P Gurusinghe c Yousuf b Tauseef	12
*L R D Mendis b Imran	2
R S Madugalle b Tauseef	5
A L F de Mel l-b-w b Tauseef	18
R J Ratnayake not out	13
Extras (b 5, l-b 11, n-b 5)	21
Total (8 wkts)	216

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–14, 2–15, 3–57, 4–104, 5–132, 6–139, 7–157, 8–191.

BOWLING (to date): Imran 14.1–5–28–3; Akram 12–4–21–1; Qadir 23.5–3–100–1; Mudassar 3–0–6–0; Tauseef 20–8–45–3.

PAKISTAN: First Innings

Mudassar Nazar c Gurusinghe b de Mel	16
Mohsin Khan c Gurusinghe b de Mel	13
Qasim Omar c Ranatunga b de Mel	8
*Javed Miandad l-b-w b de Mel	63
Salim Malik b de Mel	4
Rameez Raja c and b de Mel	52
Imran Khan c Ratnayake b Ratnayeke	63
†Salim Yousuf l-b-w b Ratnayake	27
Abdul Qadir c Wettimuny b Wijesuriya	19
Tauseef Ahmed b Ratnayake	1
Waseem Akram not out	5
Extras (b 13, l-b 8, n-b 1, w 2)	24
Total	295

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–27, 2–43, 3–60, 4–68, 5–153, 6–228, 7–259, 8–288, 9–290, 10–295.

BOWLING: de Mel 22–1–109–6; Ratnayake 15–2–48–2; Ratnayeke 15–4–48–1; Wijesuriya 22–5–68–1; Ranatunga 1–0–1–0.

GYMNASTICS

World title shared

Montreal (Agencies) – Oksana Omeliantchik, aged 15, and Elena Shoushounova, aged 16, of the Soviet Union, became the first gymnasts to share the women's individual Combined Exercises title at the world championships on Saturday night.

In a late switch Omeliantchik and Shoushounova replaced Olga Mostepanova and Irina Baraksanove, who were reportedly injured. That meant the Soviet Union, were able to include in the final the two girls with the best floor routines in their team.

The Soviet coach, Andrei Roienko, admitted that the injured gymnasts could have competed, but he did not want to risk them. "It certainly turned out to be a good move," he said.

The tension built up before Omeliantchik and Shoushounova could climb on the winner's rostrum together. There was no repetition of the perfect 10s they scored in their floor routines on Thursday night, although both stuck to the same routines and each collected 9.975 points.

They finished with a total of 78.663, ahead of Dagmar Kristen of East Germany, who took the bronze medal with 78.325.

Ecaterina Szabo, of Rumania, who started at the top of the points standings and was a clear favourite, had an unhappy routine on the beam, uncharacterstically falling off, and had to make do with aa meagre 9.125. That plunged her into seventh place.

For Shoushounova it has been a remarkable year. She started it as a virtual unknown and then swept to victory in the European championships, taking three apparatus gold medals and the all-round title, to which she has now added a world title.

Yuri Korolev won the men's Combined Exercises title for the second time. It was his second gold medal of the championships – he led the Soviet Union to triumph in the team competition.

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL: Leading final standings: 1, Y Korolev (USSR) 117.850 pts; 2, V Artemov (USSR) 117.550; 3, S Krali (EG) 117.300; 4, Xu Zhqiang (China) 117.250; 5, Li Ning (China) 117.175; 6, V Mogilnyi (USSR) 117.150.

WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL: Leading final standings: 1, E Shoushounova (USSR) and O Omeliantchik (USSR) 78.663 pts; 3, D Kerstan (EG) 78.325; 4, G Fahrwich (EG) 78.088; 5, E Szaco (Rom) 78.075; 6, N Yurchenko (USSR) 77.875.

ROWING

Notts tie up the places

By Jim Railton

Nottingham scullers and oarsmen once again plundered the Tideway on Saturday in the Head of the River Fours. Nottingham County Rowing Association not only retained their Head title but also produced five crews in the first 20 in the three-mile race from the Bandstand to Putney Pier.

The Nottingham county quardruple sculls had three seconds to spare over the Marlow composite, with Olympic gold medal winner Steve Redgrave on board – he had a decided disadvantage starting back in 241st position. The fatest coxless fours was Nottingham's Nautilus lightweights and the very early season form overall looked promising.

The potential engine rooms of the Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race crews started in 10th and 11th places in coxed fours. Oxford were given a thrashing by fit Cambridge crew and the Canadian Olympic freshman Gibson made an impressive Tideway debut.

Cambridge was the fastest coxed four on the Tideway, finishing 19th 18 seconds ahead of Oxford, who finished 23rd.

RESULTS: 1, Nottinghamshire County RA, 14.00; 2, Marlow-Bewdley-Thames Tradesmen, 14.03; 3, Nautilus Lightweights, 14.19; 4, Maidenhead RC 14.20; 5, Notts County RA III, 14.22; 6, Tideway Sculler, 14.23; 7, Tideway Sculler IV, 14.26; 8, Leander, 14.27; 9, Notts County RA II, 14.37; 10, Cambridge University, 14.38; 11, Notts County RA VI, 14.40; 12, London RC II, 14.41; 13, Leander II, 14.42; 14, London RC, 14.44; 15, Tideway Scullers II, 14.47; 16, Leader V, 14.50; 17, Imperial College, 14.51; 18, Notts County RA IV, 14.52; 19, Thames Tradesmen 14.53; 20, Trent Polytechnic, 14.53. Head Biden: Head Over: Nottingham County: Coxless fours: Nautilus Lightweights: Coxed fours: Cambridge University: Senior coxless four: Imperial College.

TONIGHT'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated

EUROPEAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP: Republic of Ireland v Iceland (at Tolka Park, Dublin, 8.0)

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Corby v Shepshed Midland division: Hednesford v Leicester United. Bill Bellow cup: First round: Cambridge City v Wellingborough.

FA YOUTH CUP: First round: Bournemouth v Oxford United: Carshalton v Orient.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Second division north: Stevenage v Saffron Walden.

OTHER MATCHES: Weeldstone v Coventry; Kidderminster v Aston Villa.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Llanelli v Swansea (7.0).

OTHER MATCHES

SNOOKER: World Amateur Championships (at Blackpool.

SQUASH RACKETS: RAF v Oxford University (at Oxford); Inter-City National Championships (at Bristol)

TENNIS: LTA women's tournament (at Queen's Club)

RACING: PEBBLES CROWNS SEASON OF UNPRECEDENTED SUCCESS FOR OUR TRAINERS OVERSEAS

Year when Britain took on world

By Michael Seely

There was sentiment in plenty at Doncaster on Saturday on the final afternoon of one of the most successful seasons in British Flat racing history. After Joe Mercer had brought down the curtain on his 38-year-long career in the saddle by recording his 2,810th victory on Bold Rex in the William Hill November Handicap, Bruce Hobbs, who retired from training this year, summed up everyone's feelings by saying: "With Lester Piggott, Joe and Edward Hide retiring, it's certainly the end of an era. But, speaking for myself, I've no regrets. Training has been the greatest fun and I'm looking forward to the new challenges that lie ahead."

Never has there been a more exciting autumn campaign. Henry Cecil and Steve Cauthen dominated the first half of the season. In becoming champion for the sixth time, Cecil broke all his own past records. By saddling 132 winners of races worth £1,148,206 the flamboyant son-in-law of Sir Noel Murless became the first British trainer to earn his patrons over £1m in a season. He also won four of the five classics with Oh So Sharp and Slip Anchor.

In becoming the champion jockey for the second successive season, Cauthen shared in most of Cecil's triumphs, being of course, the man on board Slip Anchor and Oh So Sharp. Once again the 25-year-old American has been a credit to his profession, in particular as regards his cooperation with the media in promoting racing as colourful entertainment. His tally of 195 winners during the campaign was the largest since Sir Gordon Richards had 231 victories to his credit in 1952.

With the standard of horses trained in this country being as high as at any time in our history our trainers have been exploiting opportunities abroad to an unparalleled extent. In August Bill Watts struck a mighty blow on the other side of the Atlantic when Teleprompter earned Lord Derby £517,241 with his victory in the Budweiser Million. Earlier in the season, Al Bahathri had won the Irish 1,000 Guineas and Helen Street the Irish Oaks.

However, it was from September onwards that the ball of overseas success began to gather momentum. First came Piggott's pillar-to-post victory on Commanche Run in the Phoenix Champion Stakes. Then on the first Sunday in October after a dramatic and eventful race, Rainboy Quest was awarded the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe after the disqualification of Sagace.

The enthralling victory of Pebbles over Strawberry Road in last weekend's Breeders Cup mile and a half race on turf provided a fitting climax to the trend. As a result, taking his wins at home and abroad into account, the entreprising and energetic Clive Brittain has now accumulated more prize money for his owners during the year than the champion, Cecil. Brittain has amassed £1,286,216 compared with Cecil's total of £1,148,206.

Taking results up to last Tuesday into account, British-based horses had already won £3.9 million overseas compared with the previous record of £2.2 million established in 1982.

Michael Stoute joined Cecil and Brittain as one of the three British trainers to win over a million pounds at home and abroad. Shadeed, the 2,000 Guineas and Queen Elizabeth II Stakes winner, was the main contributor to his total of 123 winners overall.

The full impact of the heavy Arab expenditure on bloodstock over the past few years was seen for the first time. Sheikh Mohammed, the third youngest of the Maktoum brothrs of Dubai, was leading owner for the first time with 111 winners over £1.1 million in this country alone, without taking into account the earnings of Pebbles and his other winners abroad. Then came Prince Khaled Abdulla of Saudi Arabia with 66 winners of over £660,000. Rainbow Quest and Rousillon were Abdulla's star performers.

Slip Anchor was undoubtedly one of the great Derby winners, but due to his setback in training and his subsequent defeat by Shernazar at Kempton and by Pebbles in the Champion Stakes, it will not be possible to evaluate his precise merit until he has been seen in action in the top middle distance races in 1986.

On the afternoon of his defeat of Oh So Sharp in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes, Petoski was undoubtedly an outstanding middle distance horse.

The leading contenders for the title must undoubtedly be Oh So Sharp and Pebbles. Sheikh Mohammed is indeed fortunate to own two such champion fillies. Oh So Sharp was undoubtedly past her best when becoming the first filly to win the triple crown since Meld. And the Kris filly is best judged on her Oaks win and on her second to Petoski at Ascot. However, Pebbles' breathtakingly easy defeat of Slip Anchor at Newmarket was probably the most brilliant performance seen by any horse

Of the jockeys, apart from Cauthen, the outstanding feature has undoubtedly been Pat Eddery's brilliant autumn form, which has resulted in a string of big-race victories. The mantle of Lester Piggott has fallen naturally on to the shoulders of this instinctive genius with the golden touch. It is interesting to speculate who will be seeking Eddery's services when the former champion's present contract with Ballydoyle expries at the end of 1986.



Prolific pair: Henry Cecil and Steve Cauthen, leading trainer and jockey again

Piggott's prize

Old Country gave Lester Piggott a farewell winner in Europe's last group one race of the year, the £34,214 Premio Roma at the Capannelle, Rome, yesterday. Piggott, beaten on all his other four mounts, soon had Old Country in second place and sent the six-year-old to the front at least a mile from home.

I Want To Be moved up to fourth approaching the straight but was shaken off with a quarter of a mile to run. The French-trained pair, Ajarana and South Gale, then tackled Old Country but Piggott drove the 6-5 favourite a length clear of his challengers who dead-heated for second. I Want To Be finished four lengths back in fourth.

Statistics for 1985 Flat season

Jockeys

	1	2	3	unpl	mts
S Cauthen	195	106	113	404	818
Pat Eddery	162	115	84	360	721
W Carson	125	134	110	481	850
G Starkey	81	83	59	278	481
T Ives	77	82	57	407	623
W R Swinburn	74	57	64	198	393
B Thomson	64	62	66	246	438
G Duffield	61	59	61	447	628
J Reid	53	63	42	410	568
R Cochrane	51	56	49	387	543
J Tree	22	40		356	801
B Hills	51	68		316	018
I Balding	35	59		287	528
J Dunlop	47	82		272	504

Trainers

	Horses	Races won	Value £
H Cecil	67	132	1,148,206
M Stoute	72	120	800,856
L Cumani	25	60	463,497
G Harwood	52	84	441,092
C Brittain	30	51	435,734
W Ham	36	53	370,760

Owners

	Horses	Races won	Value £
Sheikh Mohammed	68	111	1,192,967
Abdulla	42	77	664,685
Lord Howard de Walden	3	6	279,915
Hamdan Al-Maktoum	44	67	257,673
Aga Khan Maktoum	29	45	246,325
Al Maktoum	14	20	245,626
R Sangster	24	40	240,144
S Niarchos	17	40	2 32,102
Marcia Lady Beaverbrook	4	5	176,981
F Salman	21	32	145,815

Bettyknowes should make fitness tell

By Mandarin

Bettyknowes, in peak condition after three recent runs on the Flat, is napped to defy top weight in the Friends of St Francis Hospital Handicap Hurdle at Plumpton this afternoon.

Reg Akehurst's seven-year-old is still a fair performer on the level as he showed when running into a place in two competitive handicaps at Bath this autumn. Nowadays, however, as his handicap mark here would suggest, he is more effective over hurdles.

Apart from one run at Lingield Park in February when he found the going too soft, Bettyknowes was most consistent last winter, finishing second to County Player at Devon, Indamelody at Kempton Park and Jack Ramsey at Warwick.

Those efforts were rewarded at Plumpton in the closing weeks of the season when Bettykowes defied 11st 9lb in a similar handicap to today's. With his fitness guaranteed and Hywel Davies in the saddle again, Bettyknowes should begin the new campaign where he left off last May.

Hall's Prince was hard pushed to win a seller at the last meeting and French Captian is likely to come into his own later in the season when the mud is flying. Bigger dangers to my nap may be Dancer's Emulation, a fair third at Windsor on Saturday, and Trumps, who is fit from the Flat and won the opening novice hurdle on this card 12 months ago.

Another attractive wager at the popular Sussex course is Bayham Sir Vardon, who was one of the most consistent chasers in training last season when his eight races yielded two victories, four seconds and two thirds.

Those wins were gained in modest early-season races over three miles, but he showed his best form at distances around two and a half miles, including seconds to the useful Green Bramble at Lingfield and Broadheath at Wincanton.

Bayham Sir Vardon looked in need of the run when third behind Wily Yeoman, who has won since, and St Alezan, at Cheltenham last month. He should take full advantage of the 6lb he receives from Aughra Boura in the Keymer Handicap Chase.

John Jenkins drew a rare blank on Saturday, but Tamertown Lad can bring the Epsom trainer within one winner of a lightning half-century by successfully conceding weight all round in the Autumn Novices' Hurdle.

Tamertown, Lad has not cut much ice in handicap company on his latest two starts, but beat useful sorts in Yabis and Taqdir when winning novice hurdles at Newton Abbot and Huntingdon before that and he reverts to novice company

Another Flat winner, Abloom, looks best in the Cuckfield Novices' Hurdle. He was badly handicapped on the level after winning at Newcastle in April, but shaped well when fourth to Norstown on his hurdling debut at Ascot, where the previous winners, Little Sloop and Houston Belle, filled the places.

At Carlisle, it should pay to take a close look at the runners from Denys Smith's in-form Bishop Auckland stable. Brockhurst Lad (2.15), Maggies Girl (3.15) and Tot (3.45) all hold strong claims and I am particularly sweet on the chance of Maggies Girl who will find few better chances to get off the mark than the Keswick Novices' Chase.

The best bet on the card, however, should be Young Knight in the second division of the Ambleside Novices Hurdle. The winner of a valuable sponsored handicap at Thirsk in June, Young Knight is sure to have been well schooled for his hurdling debut by Peter Easterby and could be an above-average recruit to the winter game.

Half Free seeks another Cheltenham trophy

Half Free bravely repeated last year's success in the £20,000 Mackeson Gold Cup on Saturday to score his fifth victory over course and distance and become the first horse to win this prize in successive years.

Carrying the same weight as last year, 11st 10lb, Half Free did not master Arthur Stephenson's Newlife Connection until well up the run-in to win by a head.

Fred Winter was winning his third Mackeson despite having been unable to work anything on grass so far because of the firm ground. His confidence in Half Free increased when Malya Mal ran a good third in the race, also in the colours of Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin.

"I'd have won on Malya Mal as well if I'd ridden him the same way", Richard Linley said. "Half Free jumped brilliantly and pinged the last which made all the difference. He's a good little horse and better here than anywhere. It's a shame he does not get three and a quarter miles for the Gold Cup".

Winter said yesterday: "He's a brave, tough little horse. I'll probably send him back to Cheltenham for the Kennedy Construction Gold Cup in December. But with Brown Chamberlain, Fifty Dollars More and Observe all back in work, it's impossible to make any long-term plans until we've had a prolonged spell of better going."

Jenny Pitman also has no firm campaign mapped out for Burrough Hill Lad, last season's winner of the Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup and King George VI Chase. "He'll miss the Hennessy, as the ground has been too firm to get him ready. When the going eases, I plan to take "Buzby" to a racecourse for a gallop and then and get a prep race into him before the King George."

So with Forgive 'N' Forget, last season's Cheltenham Gold Cup winner, on target for the Edward Hanmer Memorial Chase at Haydock Park on November 20, it looks as though the stars of the winter game will be seen in action before long.

PLUMPTON

Going: good to firm

1.0 AUTUMN NOVICE HURDLE (£548: 2m) (13 runners)

1	401134	TAMERTOWN LAD (D Steele) J Jenkins 4-11-10	–
6	000-	BURNS LAD (P Wright) N Lees-Judson 4-11-9	M Kinane
11	p000-0	NAMOOS (F Hill) A Moore 4-11-0	G Moore
12	000p-0	NELOTS BOY (A Soskin) R Voorspuy 5-11-0	R Rowell
13	0034-22	NO HACK (C Read) C Read 8-11-0	R Rowe
14	00-	OUR DADDY (R McMillan) H Beasley 5-11-0	D Murphy 4
15	2p000-0	POLO BOY (G Balding) G Balding 5-11-0	P McDermott 7
16	2	QUARTERBACK (S Macnak) M McCormack 4-11-0	P Barton
17	200400-	RAGAFAN (F Starr) R Smyth 8-11-0	C Furlong
19	11040/0	SIR FRED (R Townsend) R Townsend 9-11-0	Mr D Townsend 7
23		SUNSTERFIELD TOM (Miss J Wenham) C Holmes 6-11-0	K Burke 7
24		HAYSTACK (Mrs S Eginton) M Bolton 6-10-8	R Goldstein
25		PORT ANITA (G Irlam) P Mitchell 4-10-9	R Dunwoody

1984: Trumps 4-10-10 R Campbell (5-2 fav) B Swift 18 ran.

11-4 Tamertown Lad, 7-2 No Hack, 5 Ragafan, 6 Quarterback, 8 Polo Boy, 10 Port Anita, 12 Namoos, 16 others.

FORM: TAMERTWON LAD (10-9) just over 25l 4th to Cradle Of Jazz (10-13) at Wincanton (2m h'cap hdle, £1,816, good to firm, Oct 17, 8 ran). Best effort when (11-3) head winner from Homeward (11-3) at Huntingdon (2m nov Hdle, £548, firm, Sep 20, 11 ran). NO HACK (10-12) 8l 2nd to Running Comment (11-4) at Fontwell (2m 2f nov Hdle, £584, firm, Sep 11, 10 ran). POLO BOY (10-12) 28½l 6th to Diamonds High (10-12) at Fakenham (2m Hdle, 1,343, good to firm, Oct 28, 12 ran). QUARTERBACK (10-9) 8l 2nd to Bronski (10-8) at Worcester (2m 2f nov hdle, £548, firm, Sep 27, 6 ran).
Selection: QUARTERBACK.

Plumpton selections

By Mandarin

1.0 Tamertown Lad. 1.30 Bayham Sir Vardon. 2.0 BETTYKNOWES (nap). 2.30 Celtic Way. 3.0 Can't Swim. 3.30 Abloom.

1.30 KEYMER HANDICAP CHASE (£1,682: 2m 4f) (9)

1	21-4124	AUGHRA BOURA (D) (BF) (Mrs L Simpson) J Gifford 9-11-10	R Rowe
2	32222-3	BAYHAM SIR VARDON (G Graham) G Graham 11-11-4	R Goldstein
4	220330	GRANNIE'S PET (D) (A Wiseman) D Gandolfo 10-10-5	P Barton
5	u6p-00p	MOROCCO BOUND (C) (P Kennedy) H Beasley 6-10-2	R Dunwoody
6	2P4132	MIDDLE-MARK (CD) (M Kemp-Gee) M Madgwick 7-10-1	A Madgwick
9	0-01000	GREY TARQUIN (C,D) (J Bridger) J Bridger 13-10-0	M Kinane
10	0P0322	HENNESSY HOUSE (D) (Mrs L Ripley) B Ripley 8-10-0	Miss P Flitch-Heyes 7
13	f00fp1-	POOR SON (CD) (B Chamberlain) R Voorspuy 9-10-0	R Rowell
14	400-330	HARBOUR BAZAAR (M Courtney) M C Chapman 5-10-0	R Balfour 4

1984: Tom Tailor 7-10-5 A Webber (13-8 fav) R Armytage 5 ran.

7-2 Aughra Boura, 4 Middle-Mark, 5 Bayham Sir Vardon, 6 Grannie's Pet, 8 Hennessy House, 10 Grey Tarquin, 12 Harbour Bazaar, 16 others.

FORM: BAYHAM SIR VARDON (10-4) 23l 3rd to Willy Yeoman (10-8) at Cheltenham (2m 4f h'cap ch, £4,067, good to firm, Oct 23, 4 ran). GRANNIES PET (10-5) best effort when 3l 2nd to Donaghmoyne (10-3) at Fontwell (2m 2f h'cap ch, £2,456, firm, Oct 3, 7 ran). MIDDLE-MARK (11-4) 10l 2nd to Celtic Way (10-7) at Fontwell (2m 4f nov ch, £2,442, firm, Oct 22, 7 ran). GREY TARQUIN (10-1) best effort when 4l winner from AUGHRA BOURA (12-1) here (2m 1f h'cap ch, £1,311, firm, Sept 23, 8 ran). AUGHRA BOURA (10-6) 14½, 4th to The Reject (11-3) at Cheltenham (2m 4f h'cap ch, £3,199, good, Oct 9, 15 ran). HENNESSY house (10-5) 15l 2nd to Peter Anthony (11-9) here (2m h'cap ch, £2,313, firm, Oct 29, 8 ran).
Selection: MIDDLE-MARK.

2.0 FRIENDS OF ST FRANCIS HOSPITAL HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,725: 2m) (12)

2	/22021-	BETTYKNOWES (CD) (J Boone) R Akehurst 7-11-18	H Davies
3	521113-	FRENCH CAPTAIN (Lavinia Duchess of Norfolk) Lady Herries 9-11-7	M Kinane
5	04p/3f-	KALAMONT (D) (Mrs L Simpson) J Gifford 6-10-13	R Rowe
6	0-30000	BATON MATCH (D) (Communidata Ltd) M C Chapman 5-10-10	R Balfour 4
7	1-03321	HALL'S PRINCE (CD) (J Hopton) D Grissell 4-10-7 (6 ex)	R Goldstein
9	204241-	BARRERA LAD (D) (R Townsend) R Townsend 5-10-6	Mr D Townsend 7
10	00134-	TRUMPS (CD) (D Hunnisett) R Smyth 5-10-3	C Furlong
11	40000-3	DANCER'S EMULATION (CD) (H Booty) P Haynes 5-10-12	A Webb
12	400-433	STAMPY (Mrs J Storey) J Bridger 4-10-1	S Powell
13	0404/3-	GUYWOOD (B) (CD) (K Sykes) P M Taylor 7-10-0	C Cox 7
14	000p04-	SPIKEY BILL (G Fitzsimons) G Gracey 8-10-0	Miss Zoe Davison 7
16	0/0000/	TURNTABLE (D) (Lady Herries) Lady Herries 9-10-0	N Dawe

1984: Eurolink Boy 5-9-7 A Wright (11-2) P Mitchell 8 ran.

3 Bettyknowes, 4 Kalamont, 5 Hall's Prince, 6 French Captain, 8 Dancer's Emulation, 10 Barrera Lad, Trumps, 12 Baton Match, 14 others.

FORM: BETTYKNOWES (11-9) beat The Thunderer (10-8) here (2m h'cap hdle, £1,035, firm, May 21, 12 ran). FRENCH CAPTAIN won three times last season including (11-8) ½l defeat of God's Image (10-0) at Leicester (2m h'cap hdle, £1,046, soft, Dec 31, 12 ran). KALAMONT (10-7) best effort last season when 1l 3rd to Tatty Jones (11-3) at Cheltenham (2m h'cap hdle, £2,236, firm, Oct 10, 8 ran). BATON MATCH (9-11) 16l 9th to Warner For Leisure (10-1) at Cheltenham (2m h'cap hdle, £1,119, good, Oct 5, 11 ran). HALL'S PRINCE (11-11) 2l winner from Shallaal (10-10) here (2m sell h'cap hdle, £597, firm, Oct 29, 5 ran). BARRERA LAD (10-13) beat Vivre Pour Vivre (10-13) 3l at Taunton (2m 1f sell hdle, £479, hard, May 3, 10 ran).
Selection: BATON MATCH.

2.30 SIMPSON PICCADILLY NOVICE CHASE (£1,876: 3m 1f) (4)

2	0/10-p1	CELTIC WAY (G Wareham) G Wareham 9-11-5	E Murphy 4
4	6ppp/p6	CHOICE OF CRITICS (E Reitel) R Akehurst 9-11-0	H Davies
7	22up23-	GOLDEN MINSTREL (W Gale) J Gifford 6-11-0	R Rowe
11	4	WAIT FOR ME (P Wright) N Lees-Judson 7-10-9	S Moore

1984: Saffron's Daughter 6-10-9 R Earnshaw (6-4 fav) D Gandolfo 7 ran.

5-4 Golden Minstrel, 6-4 Celtic Way, 6 Wait For Me, 10 Choice Of Critica.

FORM: CELTIC WAY (10-7) 10l winner from Middle-Mark (11-4) at Fontwell (2m 4f nov ch, £2,442, firm, Oct 22, 7 ran). CHOICE OF CRITICS (11-5) 28l 6th to Middle Mark (11-1) here (2m 4f nov ch, £1,501, firm, Sept 23, 7 ran). GOLDEN MINSTREL (11-4) 5l 3rd to Brown Trix (11-8) at Lingfield (2m 4f nov ch, £2,217, soft, Mar 16, 11 ran). WAIT FOR ME (10-5) 25l last of 4 to Glenfox (11-0) at Stratford (3m 2f ch, £1,998, good, Oct 19, 4 ran).
Selection: CELTIC WAY.

3.0 BALCOMBE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£718: 2m) (11)

1	0300-30	TOPORI (CD) (J Pegley) S Woodman 6-12-0	P Corrigan 7
3	0p/00-4	CAN'T SWIM (B) (CD) (H Barron) J Fitch-Heyes 6-11-2	C Warren 7
4	000020	SHALLAAL (D) (C O'Neill) J Baker 5-10-13	C Brown
5	019000-	BEAMING LASS (D) (M Lysaght) G Gracey 8-10-12	G McCourt
6	462300-	BONFIRE (P Hedger) P Hedger 4-10-10	M Richards
7	40000-	AROUND TOWN (P Pollock) B Forsey 4-10-10	P Croucher
8	p060-3(	I WONDER WHEN (Mrs M Bisgrove) R Hodges 4-10-10	R Linley
9	003-243	WINGINGIN (R Moore) J Fitch-Heyes 4-10-6	R Goldstein
10	00-3	STAR REVUE (Mrs K Sneath) R Hoad 4-10-6	M Hoad 7
11	3220000	INSPIRED (B) (P Smith) M C Chapman 5-10-6	R Balfour 4
12	0f0000-	SNOWBALL JIM (A Moore) A Moore 5-10-3	Miss C Moore 7

1984: no corresponding race.

3 Topori, 4 Bonfire, 5 Around Town, 6 Beaming Lass, 8 Wingingin, 10 I Wonder When, Shallaal, 12 Star Revue, 14 others.

FORM: TOPORI (10-7) 22 ½l 5th to Roger Nicholas (10-1) here (2m h'cap hdle); previously 8l 3rd to Allado (11-2) here (2m sell hdle, £337, firm, Oct 16, 8 ran). SHALLAAL (10-10) 2l 2nd to Hall's Prince (11-11) with CAN'T SWIM (10-8) 12 ½l back in 4th here (2m sell h'cap hdle, £697, firm, Oct 29, 5 ran). I WONDER WHEN (11-6) 14l 3rd to Bellamuse (10-13) at Devon and Exeter (2m 1f, sell h'cap hdle, £442, good, Aug 21, 5 ran). WINGINGIN (10-13) 12 ½l 3rd to Shanyoup (10-8) at Fakenham (2m sell h'cap hdle, £943, good to firm, Oct 28, 8 ran). STAR REVUE (11-7) 7l 3rd to Roseman (12-3) at Sedgefield (2m sell hdle, £482, good to firm, Oct 22, 7 ran). INSPIRED (10-3) 11 ½l 5th to Promindanes (11-4) at Stratford (2m sell h'cap hdle, £683, good, Oct 19, 13 ran).
Selection: I WONDER WHEN.

3.30 CUCKFIELD NOVICE HURDLE (3-y-o: £548: 2m) (14)

5		BOARDMANS VENTURE (P Howie) O Sherwood 10-7	S Sherwood
7	00	COURAGEOUS CHARGER (R Hamilton) A Moore 10-7	–
8		DESTING (S Mirchandani) H Beasley 10-7	R Goldstein
9		ELEPHANT BOY (S Sharp) J D Davies 10-7	J Lovejoy
10		EUROLINK FIREBALL (Eurolink Computers) P Mitchell 10-7	R Dunwoody
11		GAMBART (M

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Calculating penalty points with ban

Regina v Yates
Before Lord Justice O'Connor and Mr Justice Macpherson
[Judgment delivered November 5]

Where a person was convicted of offences involving obligatory or discretionary disqualification from driving and the question arose whether the provision under section 19 of the Transport Act 1981 requiring his disqualification for a minimum period of two years applied, the court, in deciding whether the penalty points to be taken into account numbered 12 or more, had to take into account all those points, for one or more offences, which would have been ordered if there had been no disqualification.

The Court of Appeal so held when giving reasons for allowing, on October 28, an appeal against sentence by Nicholas Peter Yates who, after pleading guilty on March 5, 1985 in Luton Magistrates' Court, was sentenced on April 12, 1985 in Bedford Crown Court (Judge Kingham), *inter alia*, to two years' imprisonment and eight penalty points for taking a motor vehicle without the owner's consent, and a conditional discharge for one year and eight penalty points for driving without insurance; in addition he was disqualified from driving for a total of 18 months – one year for driving without insurance and "under the totting-up provisions, a further six months' disqualification".

Their Lordships, *inter alia*, quashed the imposition of the penalty points and reduced the total period of disqualification to one year by making the one year and six month periods concurrent.

Section 19 of the Transport Act 1981 provides: "(3) The penalty points to be taken into account on the occasion of a person's conviction are – (a) any that on that occasion will be ordered to be endorsed on any licence held by him or would be so ordered if he were not then ordered to be disqualified; . . .".

Mr Martin Spencer, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant.

MR JUSTICE MACPHERSON said that it was wrong to impose penalty points and to disqualify at the same time, and all disqualifications must run concurrently: see *R v Kent (Peter)* ([1983] 1 WLR 794).

If "a further six months' disqualification" meant, as everyone concerned assumed it did, that 18 months was envisaged, that would have been imposed unlawfully. The orders in respect of these offences themselves should have been for a total of 12 months' disqualification and no penalty points should have been imposed.

The real problem arose in connection with the "totting-up" provisions. It was argued that the appellant was not caught by the provisions requiring the court to disqualify for a minimum of two years. The matter turned upon the application of section 19 of the 1981 Act, and in particular the interlocking effect of subsections (1) (2) and (3).

The two relevant offences in the present case were not committed on the same occasion. Disqualification was ordered for the offence of driving without insurance so no points could be imposed for that offence or for the offence of taking the vehicle without consent. The question was whether the penalty points to be taken into account under section 19(3) numbered 12 or more.

In their Lordships' judgment the provision in subsection (3) envisaged penalty points for one or more offences, and required the court to take into account all those points which would have been ordered if there had been no disqualification.

In the present case the judge had expressly and correctly said that the appropriate points would have been 16. Their Lordships were convinced that 16 "notional" points should be taken into account, so that legally the correct period of disqualification under the "totting-up" provisions was in this case two years' disqualification, subject to reduction for special mitigating reasons, and there appeared to be none.

However, section 11(3) of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968 provided that, taking the case as a whole, an appellant was not to be more severely dealt with on appeal than by the court below.

Accordingly, in their Lordships' judgment the just result would be to allow the appeal, the quash the orders imposing penalty points, and to leave the six months' period of disqualification undisturbed but to make it run concurrently with the one-year period.

Trading Act time limit bars late amendment

Regina v Pain
Regina v Jory
Regina v Hawkins
Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Leonard and Mr Justice Rose
[Judgment delivered November 5]

Where proceedings were begun in respect of alleged offences of conspiracy to defraud that did not amount to commencement of prosecutions for offences under the Trade Descriptions Act 1968, even though the offences charged involved proof of facts which would have justified prosecution under the 1968 Act:

Accordingly, where at a trial of counts alleging conspiracy to defraud the prosecution applied for leave to amend the indictment to charge conspiracy to contravene provisions of the 1968 Act, if that was in point of time outside the limit imposed by section 19(1) of the 1968 Act for commencement of prosecution "for an offence under this Act", the court had no jurisdiction to order the amendment.

The Court of Appeal so held when allowing the appeals of Roy Pain, Stephen Jory and Christopher Joseph Hawkins.

On February 20, 1985, in Aylesbury Crown Court (Judge Verney) Hawkins pleaded guilty to offering to supply goods contrary to section 1(1) (b); Jory pleaded guilty to that charge and to three counts of conspiracy to contravene the provision of section 1(1) (b); and on February 26 Pain was convicted (by a majority) of the three conspiracy counts.

Mr A. S. Hacking, QC and Mr G. K. Arran for Pain; Mr G. R. Robertson and Mr C. E. Dines for Jory; Mr A. S. Hacking, QC and Mr G. K. Arran for Hawkins (but who did not represent Hawkins below); Mr E. M. Hill, QC and Mr R. E. Rhodes for the Crown.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that the case revolved around an extensive plot to manufacture, bottle and sell bogus Chanel No 5 scent and toilet water.

The original indictment charged conspiracy to defraud (counts 1 and 3) and conspiracy to obtain property by deception (counts 2 and 4). All the allegations were made in the shape of charges which, had they been laid under the 1968 Act would have been within the time limit imposed by section 19(1) of that Act.

At the crown court, submissions were made that the counts were bad in the light of the ruling in *R v Ayres* ([1984] AC 447). The prosecution, then successfully applied for leave to amend the indictment. The original counts 1 and 3 were quashed and verdicts of not guilty directed to be entered on counts 2 and 4.

Although the charge as originally laid comprised allegations which if proved (as they undoubtedly were) would have justified prosecution and conviction under the 1968 Act, it was straining the language of section 19(1) beyond breaking point to say that they were indeed prosecutions "for an offence under this Act". Since the proceedings at the crown court were well outside the time limits imposed by that section the judge had no jurisdiction to allow the amendments.

Solicitors: Oxford & Co; Sampson & Co; Director of Public Prosecutions.

Palm-print is a question for the justices

Regina v Tottenham Justices, Ex parte L (a Minor)
Before Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Kennedy
[Judgment delivered November 5]

It was a question of fact in each case for the justices to decide, in an application under section 49 of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 for an order requiring a suspect to give his palm-prints, whether what was sought to be taken was in fact a palm-print within the meaning of section 49(5).

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in dismissing an application by the applicant L (a minor) for judicial review of an order made by Tottenham Justices under section 49 on October 30 requiring the applicant to give his palm prints to the police.

Mr Patrick O'Connor for the applicant; Mr Bruce Houlder for the police; the justices did not appear and were not represented.

MR JUSTICE KENNEDY said that the police had already obtained the applicant's finger and palm-prints with his consent, and made an application before the justices to take prints of the "leading edge of the hand", which was not, according to the officer making the application, part of the hand normally revealed by a palm-print.

Parliament had not chosen to define exactly what was meant by a palm-print within section 49(5) of the Act. It had left it to the good sense of justices to decide whether what was sought to be taken was in fact a palm-print.

If a strict definition were adopted, that might lead to the unsatisfactory position where, if a suspect was resisting having his prints taken, an unintentional but technical trespass might be committed against him.

There was no reason to conclude that the part of the hand whose impression was sought was anything other than the palm. The application would be dismissed.

Lord Justice Watkins delivered a concurring judgment.

Solicitors: Bindman & Partners; Director of Public Prosecutions.

Applications for striking out due to delay

Pattison and Another v Hobbs

Where on an application to strike out an action for want of prosecution the judge was satisfied that the plaintiff was guilty of inordinate and inexcusable delay which had caused or was likely to cause serious prejudice to the defendant, the judge ought not to refuse to strike out the action on the basis only that to do so would cause prejudice to the plaintiff greater than that caused to the defendant.

The mere fact that damages were claimed from a doctor in respect of a failure to carry out appropriate treatment did not of itself make the claim one where in reality the damages claimed "consist of or include damages in respect of personal injuries", which would be subject to the three-year limitation period imposed by section 11 of the Limitation Act 1980.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Ackner and Lord Justice Purchas) so held on November 5, dismissing an appeal by the defendant, Dr J. J. Hobbs, from a decision of Mr Brian Appleby, QC, sitting as a deputy High Court judge in chambers, to dismiss his appeal from the refusal of the district registrar to strike out for want of prosecution the plaintiffs' claim for damages in respect of the birth of a healthy child in consequence of the negligence of the defendant in performing a vasectomy on the first plaintiff.

LORD JUSTICE ACKNER said that the judge appeared to have confused the proper approach to be adopted on an application to strike out for want of prosecution with that on an application under section 33 of the 1980 Act to disapply the time limits on the bringing of actions imposed by sections 11 and 12 of that Act.

Since the plaintiffs had not claimed damages for personal injuries, but only for financial loss, their claim was not subject to the section 11 limitation period, and since the application to strike out had been made before the expiry of the limitation period imposed by section 2 of the 1980 Act, the plaintiffs' claim ought not to be struck out.

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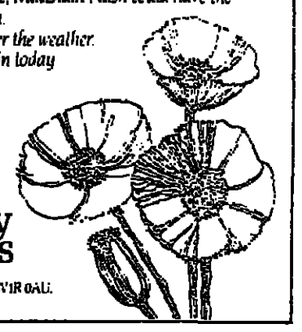
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A guide to career choice

Shortage of high-flyers

Michel Syrett on the growing tension between recruiters and career services

Shortages in the availability of graduates with technical and management skills are prompting many employers to re-assess how and when they recruit students in the final year of their degree courses.

In doing so, they are provoking increasing tension in the previously harmonious relationship between graduate recruiters and college careers advisory services.

Employers are becoming jittery over the shortfall of graduates with relevant Infomation Technology skills – a situation which is likely to get worse rather than better, with falling numbers of school leavers entering higher education and the predicted scarcity of mathematics and science teachers.

In addition, there is a perceived shortage of "high-flyers" – graduates capable of becoming the *successful* managers who will prove the main architects of corporate achievement in the medium to long term. Both shortages are encouraging recruiters to bring forward their activities to the autumn term in order to steal a march on their competitors.

Their decision clearly breaches the code of practice governing graduate recruitment and endorsed by the Standing Conference of Employers of Graduates (SCOEG), the Association

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of Graduate Careers Advisory Services (AGCAS) and the National Union of Students. The code restricts autumn term recruitment on the campus to legal and accountancy trainees in departments where students normally make early decisions to join these professions.

As such, it allows large accountancy practices first pick of the coveted high-flyers and elite financial students. Not surprisingly, the regulation is bitterly resented by recruiters of industrial accountants and non-accountancy firms in financial sectors like banking, insurance and stock-broking, all of whom have to wait until the Lent term for sanctioned access to the campuses.

With diminishing numbers of key graduates, some employers are no longer prepared to wait. The more responsible are circumnavigating the regulations by taking part in the careers information fairs held during the second academic year and the autumn term of the final year – organized by AIESEC, Careers Research Advisory Centre and student branches of the industrial society.

They are using the opportunity to pinpoint high-calibre students and prompt direct applications that can be processed during the later half of the autumn term and lead to a second interview during the Christmas vacation. This process is being mirrored by the imaginative use of vacation training and courses during the summer break.

This, in itself, is not unduly disrupting the *status quo*. Indeed, there are some careers advisers who privately would welcome the reduction in pressure from the Lent milk round which the practice brings with it. But some employers are going further, by pressurising students into accepting offers of employment well before the peak recruitment period.

This year, there is evidence a small number of graduate recruiters are paying a cash bonus or "settling in" allowance of up to £1,000 on acceptance, provided the offer is taken up within three or four weeks – in one case a student was provided with a letter of intent to use as a promissory note against his bank overdraft.

They are not doing themselves, or the students, any favours. As Brian Hyde, a member of the SCOEG National Committee and Graduate Recruitment and manager at IBM, says: "In the UK, we have a high proportion of graduates who have specialised early in subject areas that do not naturally lead towards particular careers.

Many enter their final year with little or no idea of what they want to do in life. Until they have had the chance to consider their options properly through library research, information fairs, career talks and employer presentations, they are unfitted to make sensible career decisions. Disillusionment, leading to early graduate wastage, could easily follow an over-hasty choice of employer."

Alarmed at this slide into irresponsibility, SCOEG has, with the active co-operation of careers advisers, published guidance documents: *The Timing of Interviews for Final Year Undergraduates* and *Good Practice in Graduate Recruitment*. In addition, they are encouraging their members to include a paragraph similar to the following in offers made early in the season:

"We very much hope that you will accept this offer of employment and we look forward to receiving your decision as soon as you have made it. This will help us in our total recruitment plan for the next year. But we understand that you may wish to defer a final decision until the Easter vacation. So we are prepared to hold this offer open until April 30, provided that you acknowledge receipt of this offer now and indicate in your reply the date by which you expect to have made your decision.

In the short term, supply and demand for graduates will be sufficiently balanced to enable an acceptable degree of self-regulation. But as the supply of desirable graduates diminishes, more will be tempted to pressure students into early acceptance of job offers.

Should this become common, competitors who were previously only too happy to regulate their activities for the common good will be obliged to follow suit, out of sheer commercial necessity.

What should you do if you are a *student now in the final year of a* degree course and on the receiving end of an offer of employment seven months before you qualify?

● Bear in mind that employment prospects for graduates are better than they have been for over four years. Indeed, many students are sufficiently confident of their ability to find suitable employment that they are postponing the whole job-hunting process until after they qualify.

Accepting a job offer early limits your possibilities

● Bear in mind that the main recruitment season is still to come, and that there may be other employers prepared to offer equally good career prospects and terms of employment.

● Bear in mind that you may not be in a position to assess the offer accurately. Are you absolutely certain that you want to enter the profession concerned? Have you properly investigated *all* the other career options open to you (remember that over 30 per cent of all graduate vacancies are open to degree-holders of any discipline).

Above all, bear in mind that by accepting a job offer in the next few weeks you are not reaping the full benefits of the graduate recruitment process. The milk round and the summer recruitment fairs provide contact with a wide range of employers, and because this happens on campus it allows the opportunity to assess many firms in a short space of time.

This process of bringing the world to your doorstep should be fully exploited. It has not only been designed for employers to compare students. It has also been designed to allow students to make their own comparisons.

Michel Syrett is Editor of Manpower Policy and Practice – The IMS Review.

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University College London

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MOIR on November 4th to Annabel (nee Browne) and Christopher - a daughter, Vanessa.

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MARRIAGES

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DEATHS

BARTLETT. On November 6th 1985 Cynthia Artah Bartlett after a long illness aged 57 years, the second daughter of the late Dr and Mrs Hedley Bartlett of Saffron Walden. Memorial Service Saffron Walden Parish Church on Monday 18th November 1985 at 12 pm. Cremation private at Cambridge Crematorium. Family flowers only but donations to the Sue Ryder Foundation, Cavendish, Suffolk.

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BIRKIN. Peacefully on 8th November, Sir Charles Birkin, aged 78 yrs. Funeral in the Isle of Man.

BOYLE. - Suddenly on 7th November 1985 Muriel Edyth beloved wife of Hamilton, mother of Timothy, Tony and John and a loving grandmother. Funeral at St Mary's Church, Bosford at 1.30 pm on Thursday 14th November followed by cremation at Bosford crematorium. Flowers to Kinsbury & Saunders, 61 George Street, Hadleigh, Ipswich, Tel: (0473) 823117.

BUTCHER. - On November 6th, 1985 peacefully at King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, Felix Howard Butcher, KBG, MA, Bar, PhD, FRIC, dearest father and grandfather of Richard, Andrew and Christopher and their families. He survived his much loved wife Joyce, by only 9 months after 55 years of happy marriage. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Lavant, Chichester, on Friday 15th November at 2.15 pm. Family flowers only but donations in his memory may be sent to The Royal Masonic Institute, for Boys, c/o Edward White & Son, 6 South Pallant, Chichester. Tel. 782136.

CORNISH. On the 7th November, at home in Crofton, Orpington, after a long fight against Cancer, Kathleen Mary, aged 64, beloved wife of Derek, dearest mother of Sara, Iain and Richard and of son-in-law Nigel. Thanksgiving service at St Giles the Abbot, Farnborough, Kent, on Friday, November 15th, at 11 am followed by cremation at Beckenham. Her many friends are welcome. Flowers and enquiries to Francis Chappell & Sons, 332 Crofton Road, Farnborough, Kent. Tel: Farnborough 532771.

CRESSIN, William Newton, DFC (Wilbur) - On November 6th after a long illness, at Droitwich, beloved husband of Jo, much loved father of David, Mary, Louise and William, and adored Grandaddy to eight. Cremation Service to follow.

CROFT on November 7th 1985, peacefully after a short illness at St. Richards Hospital, Chichester, Madline of North Hykeham, Lincoln, greatly loved mother of John, Bill and James. Funeral service at All Saints Church, NOrth Hykeham, on Thursday November 14 at 2.45 pm. Enquiries Tel. Lincoln 20606.

CROSSLE. - On November the 6th peacefully after a short illness at Capel Tunbridge, Cecil Alexander Crossé, retired Director of J. Lyons & Company. Dearly loved father of Jill and Sheila, and grandfather of Vivienne, Deborah and Christine. Cremation at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on Tuesday November 12th at 3.30 pm. Memorial service at Henley on Thames, date to be announced later. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Cancer Research.

DAVIES. - On November 7, 1985, at St Mary's Hospital, Paddington, Dorothy Gwendoline Davies, known as Didi. Funeral service at Golders Green Crematorium at 11 am on Wednesday November 13. Flowers may be sent to J. H. Kenyon Ltd, 132 Friston Road, London W10 by 9 am.

DENISON - On November 6th, peacefully after a long illness, borne with great courage, Françoise Henriette (nee Garrigues), wife of John and stepmother of Annabella. Funeral private. Requiem Mass to be arranged.

EVANS - on Monday 4th Nov. peacefully in a Bath hospital after long illness BE BB (G.E.) beloved wife of W. J. Evans, proud mother of John and Caitlin, and dear Nain to Rhodri and children David, Sarah and Hugh. The cremation service was private

HEWLETT, Edith Maude, formerly of South Norwood, London, peacefully on November 7th at All Saints Hospital, Eastbourne, aged 93. Cremation Friday 15th, 12 noon, Eastbourne Crematorium.

HODGSON - On November 7, Thomas Edward Highton, CB, aged 78 years, peacefully in Guernsey. Great grandfather to all. Funeral service on Monday, November 18 at 11.30am at Colchester Crematorium. Enquiries please to Robert J. Parker & Son, Funeral Directors, 37 North St, Sudbury, 0787 70909.

JACKSON. - On November 8th 1985 Pearl Caroline, aged 71 years, much loved mother of Morette will be sadly missed by all family and friends. Funeral service at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip on Wednesday 13th November at 1.15pm. Enquiries and flowers to J. A. Massey & Sons, 16-18 Lowlands Road, Harrow, Middlesex. Tel 01-422 1688.

JOLLES. On November 7th 1985, Dr Benjamin Jolles, aged 78, formerly Consultant Radiotherapist at Northampton General Hospital, beloved husband of Miriam, dear father of Alicia, Bernard and Michael, and devoted grandfather. Private funeral if desired. Donations may be sent to the National Society for Cancer Relief, 30 Dorset Square, London NW1. A Service of Thanksgiving will be held later.

KELLER HANS at his home on 6th November. Service at Golders Green Crematorium on Wednesday 13th November at 12 noon. No flowers please, but donations if desired to Motor Neurone Disease Association 38 Hazelwood Road, Northampton, NN1 1LN, or The Musicians Benevolent Fund, 16 Ogle Street, London W1P 7LG.

DEATHS

KING - on 4 November 1985, peacefully in hospital, Dorothy Ethel aged 77, beloved sister of Phyllis, of Clapham, London, late of Bombay, Nairobi Tal and Kilimani and Lahore. Service at St Peter's Church, Manor St., Clapham SW4, on Wednesday November 13 at 11am, followed by burial at Streatham Cemetery, Garrad Lane, Tooting at 12 noon. Flowers to Ashtons, 369 Clapham Road, SW9 by 9.30am, Wednesday November 13. Enquiries 622 2101.

LATHAM. - On 7th November after a long illness, Vera Maria Latham, F.L.A., of Garth, Stoneyfields, Evercreech, Somerset. Widow of Thomas Latham, Service and cremation, Bath, on Thursday 14th November at 11.45am. No flowers please, donations if desired, for Help the Aged to A. R. W. Connock & Son, Funeral Directors, The Croft, Shepton Mallet, Somerset.

LEE. - John Albert, on the 6th November at Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, loved husband of Beatrice Maud, cremation at Downs Crematorium, Bear Road, Brighton, East Sussex. On Wednesday 13th November at 3 pm. Family flowers only. Donations to Dr Chamberlain's Cardiac Discretionary Fund, Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, East Sussex.

MERRITT. - On 6th November suddenly in hospital Kathleen Merritt, MBE, well loved musician of Petersfield Hampshire. Family cremation at Chichester on 13th November at 11.30am. Memorial service at Steep Church on 25th November at 11.15am. Donations to Musicians Benevolent Fund.

ROE suddenly on October 29th at his home in Kensington, Graham, son of the late M. and Mrs I. John Roe, husband of the late Mrs Monica Roe and Dear brother of Brenda, Dorothy and Derek

RUSH - On November 6, 1985, suddenly at home, Johnnie, adored and devoted husband of Linda, loving father of Nicholas, Poo and Charles, grandfather of Samantha, Guy, Mark, Kate, Robert, Edward and Dillon and father-in-law of Lisa, John and Annie. Funral service at Woking Crematorium, Hermitage Road, St Johns Village, Woking at 2.30pm on Wednesday 13 November. Small gesture of flowers welcome or donations to British Diabetic Association, 10 Queen Anne Street, W1. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, 5 December at 3pm at St Mary's, Bourne Church Rd, off Balliercay Bridge Rd, SW11.

SAXTON. - On Wednesday November 6th 1985, peacefully, William Michael Saxton, darling husband of Myfanwy, adored father and father-in-law of Elizabeth and Richard Holman, and devoted grandfather of Jessica and Corinna, retired Principal Surveyor of Lloyds Register of Shipping. Funeral service at St Barnabas Church, Ranmore, Dorking, Surrey at 2.15pm, on Thursday, November 14th. Cremation private. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to British Heart Foundation, 102 Gloucester Place, London W1.

SMART RACHAEL EMMA suddenly on November 5th Beloved daughter of Chris and Jan, and fantastic sister of James, Rob and Joseph. "You will live on in our love," Private cremation. Memorial service at St Michael and All Angels Church, Lyndhurst, on Wednesday, November 13 at 2 pm. Family flowers only but a donation to The Rachael Smart Memorial Fund c.o Lloyds Bank, 188 Lodge Lane, Horbury, Southampton SO9 1PA would be appreciated. All enquiries please ring 0703 893729

STEEL. - On November 6th at Southrop, Catherine Clive, beloved widow of Sir Christopher Steel and devoted mother of Richard, Mary Emma and William. Funeral service at 3pm Wednesday 13th November at St Peters Church, Southrop. Flowers to church.

TATE of Ireland & Cork Ireland on November 1985, peacefully all the Cork Regional Hospital Dr. Parr Tate, deadly loved brother of Lilian of Ard Mhuire, Well Road, Cove, sadly missed by his relatives & friends. Cremation today Monday 11th. Cloverhill Crematorium Dublin. Removal Private

TAYLOR on 8th November 1985, peacefully, John William Taylor, Ashfield Road, Leicester (formerly of Crane and Walton, solicitors, Leicester) Funeral service at Gilroes Crematorium, Leicester, on Wednesday 13th November at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only please donations if desired to The British Heart Foundation, c/o A. J. Adkins & Son, Funeral Directors, 18 London Road, Oadby, Leicester. Tel: 0533 712340.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

MARSH. A Memorial Service for the late Robert Maurice Marsh will be held at Christ Church, Christchurch Rd, Winchester, on Saturday December 7th, 1985, at 12am.

OLIVER. - A service to commemorate the life and work of Lady Mary Chichester Oliver, formerly Dean of the Faculty of Laws at the City of London Polytechnic, legal writer and scholar, will be held at St Botolph's, Aldgate on Thursday, 21st November 1988 at 5.30 pm

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LEWIS SPENCE author Sydney R Hones, Hastings, V + author Angela S. Rappoport. Author would the next of kin/executors please contact Miss Chapman at 26 Cranbrook Rd.

UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENTS as political systems contributions welcomed by researcher Peter Wassell, extramural Department Edinburgh University.

CHESTER. - Former Royal North'land Fusiliers, first met War Service Aldershot. Very belated apologies Ernesto Russo. Ring 0440 62669.

LAMORNA HOBBINS KERR wishes to contact AAT from Hongkong, Australia, America. Reply 88/29 Abercorn Place, NW8.

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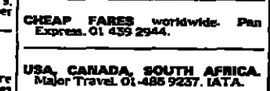
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6.00 Ceefax AM.

6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Mike Smith. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and travel at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.28 and 8.28. Plus: Lynn Faulds Wood's consumer report; the latest pop music news; and Russell Grant's horoscopes.

9.20 Ceefax. 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Ceefax.

12.30 News After Noon, with Richard Whitmore and Frances Cloverdale, includes subtitled news headlines. 12.55 Regional news and weather.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One presented by Magnus Magnusson and Marian Foster. Today's edition includes the first in a series of reports from the Himalayas where cameraman Kurt Diemberger and mountaineer Julie Tullis attempt to climb the north-east ridge of Mount Everest. There is also advice on repairing and restoring porcelain and music from the Boothill Foot-Tappers. 1.45 Pigeon Street (r).

2.00 With a Little Help from the Chip. The last of six programmes on how micro-technology is helping the disabled lead a more independent life (Ceefax).

2.25 See Hear! A magazine programme for the hearing impaired (r). 2.50 Songs of Praise for Remembrance from St Nicholas' Cathedral, Newcastle-upon-Tyne (shown yesterday) (Ceefax). 3.30 Ceefax. 3.52 Regional news.

3.55 Caterpillar Trail. With Stuart Bradley counting the number of creatures he sees in a Sussex garden. 4.10 Just So Stories. Michael Hordern with the tale of the Butterfly that Stamped. 4.20 Spider-Man meets Fire-Star.

4.45 Jonny Briggs. Part one of a new serial about the youngest member of a household living in a small terraced house in the North of England.

5.00 John Craven's Newsround. 5.05 Blue Peter. Simon, Janet and Peter reveal the details of what Blue Peter is collecting for in the 1985 Appeal (Ceefax).

5.35 Masterteam.

6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Andrew Harvey. Weather.

6.35 London Plus presented by Jeremy Paxman.

7.00 Wogan. Among tonight's guests include Boris Becker, Colleen McCullough, Maureen Lipman, Barbara Windsor and China Crisis.

7.40 Starsky and Hutch. The two detectives enter the world of grunt and groan when they investigate threats to the life of a leading wrestler, Golden Angel (r).

8.30 'Allo 'Allo. Comedy series set in occupied France. This week Rene and Captain Geering are ambushed by the Resistance when driving the "borrowed" armoured car (Ceefax).

9.00 News with Julia Somerville and John Humphrys. Weather.

9.25 Panorama: The Year of the Spy: Tom Mangold reports on the effect the defections and re-defections have had on the spy networks of both East and West and speculates on which side has come out on top now that the dust seems to be settling.

10.05 Film: The Molly Maguires (1970) starring Sean Connery, Richard Harris, Samantha Eggar and Frank Finlay. Drama, set in the Pennsylvania mines of the 1870s, about a secret society determined to improve the working and living conditions of the miners. The police send an undercover man to infiltrate the society to bring about its downfall.

12.05 Weather.

TV-am

6.15 Good Morning Britain, presented by Nick Owen and Anneka Rice. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.17, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; exercises at 6.20; sport at 6.25 and 7.34; Derek Jameson at 7.15; cartoon at 7.24; pop video at 7.45; a visit to Moorfields Eye Hospital at 8.15; Jimmy Greaves's television highlights at 8.35. A report on the Prince and Princess of Wales's visit to Washington, with special guest Jean Rook, at 9.04; and a discussion on diabetic pregnancies at 9.12.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines.

9.30 For Schools: two folk tales – The Legend of Salt and The Magic Tree. 9.47 Behind the scenes in a supermarket. 9.59 Learning to read with Bill Oddie. 10.11 Keeping the body at the right temperature. 10.29 History: the Berlin Olympic Games of 1936. 10.51 The art and craft of a jeweller. 11.08 Maths: the number eight. 11.22 Junior maths. 11.39 French: a visit to the Chateau de Montegeoffroy.

12.00 Tickle on the Tum. Village stories for young children. 12.10 Let's Pretend to the tale of the Lemon Canary. 12.30 Parents and Teenagers. Parents and children discuss young people developing a life of their own (r).

1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin. 1.20 Thames news.

1.30 Film: Thunder Bay (1953) starring James Stewart, Joanne Dru and Dan Duryea. Two former oil well drillers persuade an oil tycoon to put up the money for an off-shore drilling venture that the local fishermen resent. Directed by Anthony Mann. 3.25 Thames news headlines. 3.30 The Young Doctors.

4.00 Tickle on the Tum. A repeat of the programme shown at noon. 4.10 Doris. Cartoon adventures of a cat. 4.20 Gymnastics. The 1985 World Championships. 4.45 Murphy's Mob. A new series about the young supporters of a third division football club.

5.15 Emmerdale Farm Celebrates. Highlights of the 1,000th episode celebrations held last week in Leeds where the guest of honour was Princess Michael of Kent.

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee reviews a selection of recently published handbooks on benefits.

6.35 Crossroads. The big day has arrived for Kath and Stephen. Can anything go wrong?

7.00 The Krypton Factor. The last of the semifinals and a rock musician, an accountant, a systems analyst and a statistician strive for a place in the final of the brain and brawn competition. (Oracle).

7.30 Coronation Street. Is the business world aware of the proposed venture of Terry Duckworth and Curly Watts? (Oracle).

8.00 Trouble and Strife. The first of a new comedy series about a parish's engaging new vicar and the effect he has on the local wives. (Oracle).

8.30 World in Action: Shades of Blue. Conservative MP Julian Critchley takes viewers on an insider's tour of his party. (see Choice).

9.00 The Bill. The first of a new series set in Sun Hill police station in the east end of London (Oracle).

10.00 News at Ten.

10.30 Film: Million Dollar Face (1979) starring Tony Curtis and Sylvia Kristel. A made-for-television piece of flotsum about treachery, deceit and adultry in the world of cosmetics. Directed by Michael O'Herlihy.

12.20 Night Thoughts.



Julian Critchley: Shades of Blue, ITV, 8.30pm

●: Having already made the point (*The Times*, July 26, 1975) that politics, like the Church and the stage, is a performing art, Julian Critchley MP takes it a logical step further in SHADES OF BLUE (ITV, 8.30pm) his essay on Toryism 1985, by calling the Palace of Westminister the Palace of Varieties. He does not attempt to define the nature of his own act, but his television reporter's debut in this *World in Action* film leaves us in no doubt that if any Tory politician with an ego inflated to bursting point was foolish enough to move into the spotlight with him, he would be best advised to avoid the sharp pin in Mr Critchley's fingers. Actually there are more sartorial similes than theatrical ones in *Shades of Blue*, what with references to the Tory Party's losing buttons off its cuff, Mr Critchley's suede shoes that gave offence, the nation being told to pull up its socks, Denis Healey's description of Edward Heath as Margaret Thatcher in drag, and Norman Strauss's verdict that it was possible to look back and see developments in Mrs Thatcher's wardrobe and teeth but not in her political thinking or approach.

●EDGE OF DARKNESS. Troy Kennedy Martin's nuclear-age thriller, goes into its second week (BBC2, 9.30pm) still firing on all pistons. The camera continues to push so close towards Bob Peck's face that I feel I could now draw a map showing every tight muscle, every line of tension. With such merciless exposure as this, no actor can get away with an approximate emotion. It has to be all or nothing, and Mr Peck is triumphantly giving all. Can he keep it going for another four weeks? The question is becoming as gripping as the plot itself. And what of the plot? It is thickening fast, and the darkness is no longer just round the edges. The CIA has now entered the picture, and a link has been established between the murdered girls and a nuclear waste plant. Interestingly, the conversational link between and the dead girl and her CID father has still not been broken. Only a thriller as good as *Edge of Darkness* would have the cool nerve to ask us to accept without demur the spectacle of the living chatting with the dead.

Peter Davalle

CHOICE

BBC 2

9.00 Ceefax

9.15 Daytime on Two: what goes on behind the scenes in a department store. 9.38 Post school education. 10.00 For four and five-year-olds. 10.15 Music: a regular beat. 10.35 History: Britain's plight after Germany conquers Europe. 11.00 The use of micro computers in schools. 11.22 Keeping warm in winter. 11.40 Alternative medicine and treatments. 12.10 Britain's post-war economy.

12.40 Technical studies: dye and investment casting. 1.05 The research needed before opening a store (ends at 1.30). 1.38 The pros and cons of the opening of the A9 road in the highlands of Scotland. 2.00 For the very young. 2.18 English: improvisation. 2.40 Parents-to-be discuss what the effect the arrival of their baby will have on their lives.

3.00 Ceefax.

5.15 Micro Live. Lesley Judd reports on what the effect the government's termination of the Microelectronics Education Programme will have on schools and Ian McNaught-Davis discovers that bits and bytes are becoming more popular in schools than chalk and talk (r).

6.00 Film: The Women in Green" (1945) starring Basil Rathbone and Nigel Bruce. The world's most famous detective investigates the killings of a number of women in London. His efforts point to the work of the evil Professor Moriarty. Directed by Roy William Neill.

7.05 100 Great Sporting Moments. The 1960 rugby union game from Murrayfield between Scotland and France.

7.25 Open Space: The Bomb on Trial: Excerpts from the proceedings of the Nuclear Warfare Tribunal which took place earlier this year in London (Ceefax).

8.10 The Triumph of the West. Part ten of John Robert's series is an examination of the legacy of British rule in India.

9.00 The Fall and Rise of Reginald Perrin. Wonderful comedy series starring Leonard Rossiter as a middle-class senior executive of Sunshine Desserts who finds that middle-age is the time when he begins to lose his enthusiasm for work, his wife, but the time to engage in fantasies about his secretary (r).

9.30 The Edge of Darkness. Episode two and Craven, on the trail of the mystery surrounding his daughter's murder, has a conversation with her boyfriend and meets a CIA operative (Ceefax) (see Choice).

10.25 Newsnight includes Joan Bakewell talking to Howard Hodgkin who has been shortlisted for the Turner Prize for the second year running. 11.20 Weather.

11.25 Télé-Journal. The seventh programme in the series of news programme from French speaking television networks. Ends at 11.55.

CHANNEL 4

2.35 Winston Churchill – the Valiant Years" Part six of this 26-programme American-made series on Winston Churchill's role during the Second World War reaches the time of the Battle of Britain (r).

3.00 The Late Late Show. The popular Irish chat show, first seen in the Republic on Saturday night.

4.00 A Plus 4 presented by Gill Nevill. Cancer sufferers, including Dr Vicky Clement-Jones, explain how they have come to terms with the disease.

4.30 Countdown. The reigning champion of the competition, Cliff Loy from Sheffield, is challenged by Susan Wallace of Glasgow.

5.00 Gymnastics. The 1985 World Championships from Montreal.

5.30 All Stitched Up. The third programme of the series on home dressmaking and knitting and Betty Foster has advice on the problem of sewing silk; Joy and Les Gammon illustrate how to knit a cardigan from odds and ends of wool; and Charmian Watkins has advice on accessories to wear with baggy trousers (Oracle).

6.00 Take Six Cooks. Richard Shepherd, head chef at Langan's Brasserie, prepares a selection of soups and sauces (r).

6.30 Space on Earth. The second of two programmes in which Ken Martin tells the story of skyscrapers with film of buildings in New York and Chicago (Oracle).

7.00 Channel Four news.

7.50 Comment. With views on a matter of topical importance is Nichola Lacey, a lecturer in law at New College, Oxford. Weather.

8.00 Brookside. Bobby accuses Sheila Grant of being un-Christian when he learns that she has signed a petition opposing the Halfway House.

8.30 Lou Grant. A woman is killed in a Los Angeles ghetto and a wave of apathy sweeps the offices of the Trib, except for reporter, Billie Newman.

9.25 Man About the House. Chrissy and Jo are wide-eyed when Robin introduces them to his elder brother whom he has never before mentioned (r).

9.55 Murun Buchstansangur. Cartoon series about a ravolting little creature that lives in a crack in a kitchen.

10.00 This Land of England. Part one of a four-documentary series that investigates the historical development of English society and the English countryside. Presented by historian Dr Richard Starkey of the London School of Economics (Oracle).

11.00 The Eleventh Hour – Robert Breer: The 'Five and Dime' Animator. A profile of the American independent animator who also discusses his personal and craftsmanlike approach to film-making. Ends at 12.05.

Radio 4

On long wave. † on VHF stereo.

5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing: Weather. 6.10 Farming Week from East Anglia. 6.25 Prayer.

6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day.

8.35 The Week on 4. Programme preview, with Marshall Corwin.

8.43 Ian Skidmore links recordings from the BBC Sound Archives. 8.57 Weather; Travel.

9.00 News.

9.05 Start the Week with Richard Baker.†

10.00 News; Money Box. Louise Botting advice on personal finance (r).

10.30 Morning Story: Princess with Long, Long Hair by Lisa Taylor. Read by Sandra Clark.

10.45 Daily Service from St Paul's Church, Birmingham.†

11.00 News; Travel; Down Your Way. Brian Johnston visits Northampton (r).†

11.48 Poetry Please! Poetry requested by listeners. With Kevin Crossley-Holland, Barbara Jefford and Andrew Sachs.

12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer advice, with Pattie Caldwell.

12.27 Top of the Form. Nationwide general knowledge contest for schools. Durrington High School, Worthing versus Upton Grammar School, Slough. 12.55 Weather.

1.00 The World at One: News.

1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Includes Sebastian Scott's investigation into the lives, and thoughts, of women aged 50 and over. Also Ian Lavender starts his readings from Richard Haydn's The Journal of Edwin Carp.

3.00 The Afternoon Play: Ploughboy Monday. By David Pownall. With Jason Litter as the boy who leaves home after arguments with his parents. He becomes a ploughboy (r).†

4.17 So You Want to be a Contemporary Artist? Nigel Hawthorne offers a guide (r).

4.30 Kaleidoscope. Nigel Andrews presents last Friday's edition of the arts magazine. Includes comment on the film Weird Science, and the BBC TV series Black Silk (r).

5.00 PM; News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather.

6.00 News; Financial Report.

6.30 The News Quiz hosted by Barry Took. With Richard Ingrams and Alan Coren as the team captains (r).

7.00 News.

7.05 The Archers.

7.20 Conversation Piece. Scottish artist Mary Armour talks to Sue McGregor.

7.45 Science Now. Review of discoveries and developments in science, by Peter Evans (r).

8.15 The Monday Play. Hiroshima. The Movie by Michael Wall. With Bill Patterson and Megumi Shumanuki. Drama about a film-maker and his Japanese star (r).†

9.15 The Lord Mayor's Banquet from the Guildhall, London, including the Prime Minister's speech on the country's international position.

10.00 Kaleidoscope. Horror writer Clive Barker talks to David Roper.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Plain or Ringlets by R S Surtees. Abridged in fifteen parts (6) Reader: John Franklyn-Robbins 10.29 Weather

10.30 The World Tonight.

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parliament.

12.00 News; Weather 12.33 Shipping. VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55–6.00am Weather; Travel. 11.00 12.00 For schools: 1.00 Music Makers. 11.20 Let's Move!! 11.40 Singing Games. 11.50 Poetry Corner. 1.55–3.00 pm for schools: 1.55–5.55pm (continued) 12.30–1.10am Schools Night-time Broadcasting. Lifetime – Coping with Pressure 12.30 Be at Ease with Yourself! 12.50 Think Well of Yourself.!

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.

7.05 Morning Concert: Beethoven's overture Coriolan (Philharmonia); Brahms's Four Ballades Op 10 (Bishop-Kovacevich); Faure's Cantique de Jean Racine, arranged by Rutter (Cambridge Singers/City of London Sinfonietta); Tchaikovsky's Capriccio Italien (Israel PO).†

8.00 News.

8.05 Morning Concert (contd): Corrente's Concerto comique No 25 (Musica Antiqua, Cologne); Haydn's Symphony No 1 (Le Estro Armonico); Sibelius's Incidental Music to Pelleas and Melisande (Gothenburg SO under Jarvi).†

9.00 News.

9.05 This Week's Composer: Berlioz. Overture Le Roi Lear (Scottish National); Le ballet des ombres (Heinrich Schutz Choir and Chorale; Peter Smith, piano) La mort d'Ophelie: Marche funebre. pour la derniere scene d'Hamlet (John Alldis Choir/LSO); Scene de bal. Romeo et Juliette (Orchestra de Paris/Daniel Barenboim).†

10.00 Shubert: Martin Roscoe (piano) plays Sonatas in C, D 279 and in B, D 575.†

10.40 Music from Spain: Turina's Fiesta en San Juan de Aznalfarache (Spanish National Orchestra); Falla's Nights in the Gardens of Spain (Alicia de Larrocha, piano/LPO).†

11.15 Percy Grainger and Friends: Susan Kessler (mezzo) with Geoffrey Parsons (piano). Includes Gnegt's Mens jeg ventar; and Med en fandilje; Grainger's Pretty Maid Milkin her Cow; Six Dukes went affishin'; The Power of Love; and Quiter's Three Pastoral songs.†

12.00 Divertimenti: Fiona Dobie (soprano) and Evelyn Nellen (recorder) Nicholas Kraemer conducts Tippett's Fantasia Concertante on theme of Corelli; Ridout's Recorder Concerto; and Britten's Les Illuminations.†

1.00 News.

1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert: Roman Jablonski (cello), Krystyna Bercuinskaya, piano. Bach's Cello Suite No 2 in C in D minor, BWV 1008; Chopin's Sonata in G minor, Op 65.†

2.00 Music Weekly. Includes a new perspective on Heinrich Schutz, by Jerome Roche; and a conversation with clavichordist Derek Adlam. Also Rodney Milnes on Auber's Fra Diavolo (r).

2.45 New Records: Rossini's overture La Cenerentola, Josquin des Pras's Fortuna desperata; Sijay perdu mon amy; Helas madame. La plus des plus (Medieval Ensemble of London); Handel's Overture in D for two clarinets and corno di caccia (L'Ecole d'Orphée); Bach's Sonata in C minor for violin and continuo. BWV 1034 (London Baroque), Tallis's motet Spem in alium (Tallis Scholars); Mozart's Quartet in D minor, K 421 (Salomon String Quartet); Haydn's Symphony No 94 (Academy of Ancient Music).†

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: recorded music selection, presented by Geoffrey Norris.†

6.30 Music for the Iron Voice: Christopher Herrick plays Liszt works including Ave Maris Stella, G 669, No 2, and works by Mendelssohn (including D minor, Op 65 No 6, and in B flat, Op 65 No 4

7.10 American Music for Cello and Piano: Raphael Wallfisch (cello) and Lynn Hendry (piano). Barber's Sonata Op6; Berstein's Two Meditations; Lukas Foss's Capriccio.†

7.45 Opera: Atalanta, by Handel. Sung in Italian. Nicholas McGegan conducts the Savaria Vocal Ensemble and Capella Savaria. With Katalin Farkas in the title role, and Eva Bartfai-Barta, Janos Bandi and Eva Lax. Act one.†

8.35 Gardens of the Mind: Sir Geoffrey Jellicoe in conversation with Stephen Games.

8.55 Atalanta: the second act. Interval reading at 9.45. The third act of the opera begins at 9.50.†

10.40 Money, Money, Money: A verse anthology compiled by Paul Shand. Read by Brett Usher, Kerry Shale and Beth Porter.

11.00 Andre Tchaikowsky: recordings featuring the pianist and composer. Includes Schubert's Sonata in B flat major, D 960; and Andre Tchaikowsky's Trio Notturno (Frankl, piano; Gyorgy Pauk, violin, Ralph Kirshgaum, cello).†

11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown.

Radio 2

4.00 Colin Berry. 6.00 Ray Moore. 10.30 Jimmy Young. 1.05pm David Jacobs. 2.00 Glens Hunniford. 3.30 Music all the Way. 4.00 David Hamilton. 6.00 John Dunn. 8.00 Alan Dell with Dance Band days and Big Band Era. 9.00 Humphrey Lyttleton with jazz on record. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Some of these Days. A date to remember. 11 November – with Pat Coombs, Sheila Tracy, Andrew Sachs, Brian Johnston and David Hamilton. 10.30 Star Sound (Sheila Tracy). 11.00 Brian Matthew. From the 23rd Belfast Arts Festival. With Michael Palin and Victoria Wood (stereo from midnight). 1.00am Charles Nove presents Nightride. 3.00-4.00 A little night music

Radio 1

6.00am Adrian John. 7.30 Mike Read. 9.30 Simon Bates. 12.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partridge). 12.45 Gary Davies. 3.00 Steve Wright. 5.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partridge). 5.45 Paul Jordon. 7.30 Janice Long. 10.00–12.00 John Peel. VHF RADIOS 1 & 2 4.00am As Radio 2. 10.00pm As Radio 1. 12.00–4.00am As Radio 2

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 7.00 News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Sarah and Company. 8.00 News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 The Growing Pains of Adrian Mole. 8.30 Anything Goes. 9.00 News. 9.09 Review of British Press. 9.15 Good Books. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Peebles' Choice. 10.00 News. 10.01 A Word in Edgeways. 10.30 Mainstream. 11.00 News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 Development 85. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Just A Minute. 12.45 Sports Round-up. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Beethoven and the Violin. 2.00 Outlook. 2.45 John Arlott's Poetry Book. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 A Word in Edgeways. 3.45 Development '85. 4.00 News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Behind the Universe. 4.30 The Classical Clarinet. 4.45 This World Today. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Book Choice. 5.15 Jazz Score. 6.00 News. 6.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 9.15 The Classical Clarinet. 9.33 Rock Salad. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choice. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Behind the Universe. 11.30 Just A Minute. 12.00 News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Sarah And Company. 1.00 News Summary. 1.01 Outlook. 1.30 Short Story. 1.45 Behind the Universe. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Network UK. 2.30 Sports International. 3.00 News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 John Peel. 4.00 Newsdesk. 4.30 The Sacred Choir. 5.45 The World Today.

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BBC1 WALES 9.20-9.45 Masterteam 9.45-10.30 Ceefax. 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 Time and Place. 12.05am-12.35 Rugby Special: Wales v Fiji. 12.35-12.40 News and weather. **SCOTLAND** 10.15am-10.30 Padraig Post. 5.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland. 12.05am-12.10 News and weather. **NORTHERN IRELAND** 5.35pm-5.40 Today's Sport. 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster. 6.35-7.00 Masterteam. 12.05am-12.10 News and weather. **ENGLAND** 5.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines.

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SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Action Line. 1.35 Film: Hec Ramsey. 3.30–4.00 Kit Williams at Home. 6.00 News and Scotland Today. 6.30–7.00 What's Your Problem? 10.30 Crime Desk. 10.35 Film: Sweet Smell of Death. 12.05 Late Call. Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

HTV WEST As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30–3.30 Film: Please Sir! (John Alderton). 6.00–7.00 News Along With Nancy. 6.00 Mother. 12.15am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except. 9.30am–12.00 Schools. 6.00–7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30 Does Wales Mean Business. 11.00 Legmen. 12.00–12.30am Short Story Theatre.

TSW As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: Bridal Path. 3.15–3.30 Paces. 5.15–5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30–7.00 Emmerdale Farm Celebrates. 10.35 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. 11.30 Party with the Rovers. 12.00 Postscript. Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 1.20 pm News. 1.30–3.30 Film: Town Like Alice. 6.00–7.00 North Tonight. 10.30 V. 11.30 Show Express. 12.00 News, Closedown.

CHANNEL as London except: 1.20 pm News. 1.30 Film: Bridal Path. 3.15–3.30 Salmon Running. Bear Cunning. 5.15–5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30–7.00 Emmerdale Farm Celebrates. 10.35 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. 11.30 Party with the Rovers. 12.00 Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: Captain's Table (John Gregson). 3.00–3.30 Paint Along With Nancy. 6.00 Northern Life. 6.45–7.00 PSA Report. 10.32 Nightline. 12.00 Home Sweet Home. Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: Masquerade (Cliff Robertson). 3.30–4.00 Password. 6.00 Good Evening, Ulster. 6.30–7.00 Different Strokes. 10.30 Basketball. 11.00 Life After School. 11.30 New Avengers. 12.25am News, Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Showcase. 1.45 Film: Colour Me Dead. 3.30–4.00 Sons and Daughters. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.15 Autumn Garden. 6.30–7.00 Take the High Road. 10.30 Falcon Crest. 11.30 Party with the Rovers. 12.00 News, Closedown.

TVS As London except: 1.20 pm News. 1.30 Home Cookery. 1.35 Film: Love Thy Neighbour. 3.15–3.30 Cartoon. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.30–7.00 Horses for Courses. 10.30 Questions. 11.20 Simon and Simon. 12.20 am Company. Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 1.20pm Calendar. 1.25 Help Yourself. 1.30 Film: Madame X. 3.20 Cartoon. 3.30–4.00 Country Practice. 5.15–5.45 Keep It In The Family. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30–7.00 Emmerdale Farm Celebrates. 10.30 Calendar. 11.00 Bellamy. 12.00 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: What Changed Charley Farthing? 6.00 News. 6.45–7.00 Central Post. 10.35 Central Week. 11.05 V. 12.05am Contact. 12.25 Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: Short Cut to Haifa (Peter Ustinov). 3.15–3.30 Cartoon. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.30 Movie Memories. 10.30 Anglia Reports. 11.00 V. 12.00 Show Express. 12.30am East Comes West, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Fifty, Fifty. 2.25 Generations. 2.55 Scramble. 3.25 News. 3.30–4.00 Sons and Daughters. 6.00 Scramble. 6.30–7.00 Granada Reports. 10.30 Under Fire. 11.00 Monday Film: Sarge: The Badge or the Cross? (George Kennedy). 12.40am Closedown.

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Queen leads the Commonwealth's tribute to war dead

By Rupert Morris

Old soldiers, young soldiers, men and women with medals and memories, children and tourists packed Whitehall yesterday for the annual Remembrance Day service for the dead of two world wars.

As the sun shone through the gleaming towers of the newly-cleaned Palace of Westminster on to the pale stone of the Cenotaph, sodliers in bearskins, white-helmeted marines and members of other services took their places, and the tree-lined street echoed to barked commands and the clash of heels on pavement.

When the rousing tunes of Rule Britannia and Men of Harlech gave way to the glorious melancholy of Elgar's Enigma Variations, men wept as quietly as they could into their handkerchiefs.

At 11 am, the cannon was fired and for two minutes the throng was envoloped in a silence broken only by leaves rustling in the sharp autumnal wind.

The Last Post was sounded and the Queen stepped forward to lay her wreath, followed by the Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Andrew and Prince Michael of Kent.

Wreaths were also laid by Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, Mr Neil Kinnock, Labour leader, Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party, Mr James Molyneaux, leader of the Ulster Unionists and Dr David Owen, leader of the Social Democrats.

Watching from the windows of the former Home Office building were the Queen Mother, Princess Anne, the Duchess of Kent, King Olav of Norway, the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester and, most striking of all, Princess Michael of Kent, wearing a black bandanna.

After prayers and the singing of O God, Our Help in Ages Past, it was the turn of the several thousand veterans to parade.

A motley collection in overcoats and anoraks, bowlers and berets, some in uniform, others not, they marched with chests puffed out, or with the aid of sticks or were pushed in wheelchairs.

They were applauded all the way from the Centotaph to Parliament Square and beyond.

Security was intensive, with police marksmen on rooftops, Special Branch men mingling with the crowd, and body searches of all members of the public entering Whitehall.



The Duke of Kent laying a wreath at Singapore's War Memorial (left), ex-service men and women waiting in the sun at Whitehall and the Queen paying tribute (London photographs: John Voos)

Veterans and widows remember on the green hills above Changi

From Alan Hamilton
Singapore

On the green hills of Kranji soon after dawn yesterday, widows and veterans of the Far East campaign remembered the brutal theatre which claimed more than 100,000 Commonwealth lives and put another 150,000 people in Japanese prison camps.

Far below cloaked in the morning mists of Singapore, still stands the infamous Changi prison, where 12,000 perished from hunger, ill-treatment and disease after the fall of the island in 1942.

As part of the Government's official commemoration of the 40th anniversary of the war's end, 57 widows and 37 ex-prisoners had been flown from England to be reunited with treasured names among Kranji cemetery's 5,300 headstones and memorial tablets to 24,000 more with no known grave.

The sounds and the ritual were comfortingly familiar: poppy wreaths, the lines of Binyon, bugles and silence, proud old men erect behind shining galaxies of medals.

But the field was distinctly foreign with the old Scots lament *The Flowers of the Forest* played by Gurkha pipers, the prayers of Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, Sikh, Jew and Zoroastrian intoned by exotic priests as well as an Indian Methodist bishop, and the names on the endless roll of the unburied, more Empire than British.

Many thousands of Indian and Malay troops took part in the campaign, as well as Australians and New Zealanders. The cemeteries are full of Dutch, captured in Indonesia.

Miss Louisa Harvey, a Queen Alexandra's nurse from Stirling, imprisoned in Sumatra for three-and-a-half years, stood beside Mr Murodo Cho, a venerable Singaporean, aged 86, with a straggly white beard, who had been a merchant navy purser and who was sailing the Sea of Japan when the bomb was dropped on Hiroshima.

"It was sweet at the end," said Miss Harvey. "The Japanese themselves came and told us there was a bomb they could not fight."

But there was a strong British presence at the wreath-laying incldng the Duke of Kent, Mr Michael Heseltine, the Defence Secretary, and Field Marshal Sir Edwin Bramall, recently retired Chief of the Defence Staff.

It was all formal, correct and dignified, a contrast to some of the smaller acts of commemoration at more remote sites in recent days, where the experience of being confronted with such distant memorials for the first time, had stirred overwhelming and undisguised emotions in many of the British pilgrims.

Rebuilding projects may create 50,000 jobs

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selling off assets as if they are going to be squandered. We are talking about making capital investments and raising the money in order to do it.

But Mr Bryan Gould, an opposition spokesman, said: "They are doing it, as the Prime Minister and the Chancellor have made it clear, to finance tax cuts, the main purpose of which is to finance for them a party political General Election campaign."

Mr Gerald Kaufman, the Shadow Cabinet member, said in Derby yesterday: "Unless Mrs Thatcher can be stopped, our country is on the way to becoming South America without the sunshine, a banana republic without bananas.

"Lord Stockton has performed a public service by drawing attention to the extremism of Mrs Thatcher's government."

Ministers are bound to use the Chancellor's statement and the announcement of increased capital spending, along with the job creation involved, to repudiate the criticism of the former Conservative Prime Minister and of the Opposition.

One government source said last night that the hospital building programme would be boosted to the level of the early 1970s and that people would be able to see for themselves the concrete evidence of the sucess of asset sales.

A Rayner scrutiny of the health service estate had estimated that £1,000 million worth of hospital homes and land could be released, and that one fifth of the accommodation was standing empty.

About £700 million is at present being spent on hospital works, and it was hoped that an extra £200 million to £250 million a year could be raised from sales of health authority land and housing over the next three years.

Chancellor to outline scope for tax cuts

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doubling asset sales to about £5 billion. For the remaining two years of this parliament, his aim is still to restrain the "real value" of public spending so that it absorbs a share of national income that declines by about two percentage points.

The public spending totals will be given by departments. The results of the struggle in Cabinet are expected to show that:

- Defence will have to squeeze costs. The Government is no longer prepared to endorse a steady increase in the volume of defence spending.
- Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for the Environment, has succeeded in extracting only a proportion of the extra money for housing maintenance he has been demanding.
- Hospital building is to be enhanced by £250 million a year, to counter complaints that Britain's infrastructure is being run down.
- Child benefit is not to be increased fully in line with inflation, although the Treasury has not succeeded in imposing a complete freeze. This paves the way for the introduction of income-related "family credit".
- A squeeze on the remaining nationalized industries, designed to force up their rate of return, will require some politically sensitive increases in charges.

The Chancellor will also announce the annual changes in National Insurance contributions, due next spring. He is continuing with his plan for bands of income at which contributions will be charged at reduced rates.

Increases in the bottom threshold in line with inflation would lift it from £35.50 a week to £36.75, but the Chancellor is expected to raise the threshold.

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Today's events

Royal engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, Trustee, attends a meeting of the Council of St George's House at Windsor Castle, 11.

Princess Anne, Chief Commandant of the Women's Royal Naval Service, visits HMS Nelson at Portsmouth, Hants, 11.30; later as Honorary President, The Chartered Institute of Transport, she attends a lecture by Mr Alan Kelsey at the Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George Street, SW1, 5.40.

The Duke of Gloucester, President, International Council on Monuments and Sites, United Kingdom National Committee, opens a Conference on Fire Protection in Historical Buildings at the Institute of Advanced Architectural Studies, York, 10.15; and later visits York Minster and the Exhibition "Travel Through Time", 1.45; after which he visits Jorvik Centre, York, 2.38.

New exhibition

Signs of Apartheid; Aberdeen Art Gallery, Schoolhill, Aberdeen; Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Thurs 10 to 8, Sun 2 to 5, (ends Nov 23).

Last chance to see

Ceramics and Watercolours by Ewen Henderson; Copernican Connection, Lock House, Waterside Road, Beverley, Yorkshire; Wed to Mon 10.30 to 6, (ends today).

Scotland's Disappearing Wildlife; Art Gallery and Museum, Kelvingrove, Glasgow; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5, (ends today).

Music

Recital by Anne Warden (violin) and Frances Collins (piano), St Mary the Virgin, High Street, Oxford, 1.15.

Bach organ recital by Desmond Hunter, St George's Church, High Street, Belfast, 8.

Organ recital by Tim Hone, Coventry Cathedral, 1.

Talks, lectures

Halley's Comet – past, present and future by Dr David Hughes, Physics Lecture Theatre, Kent University, Canterbury, 7.30.

Cambridgeshire Churches by the Rev Robert Van de Weyer, Peckover House, Wisbech, 7.30.

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit by Dr M A Corner, Curtis Auditorium, School of Physics, Newcastle University, 1.10.

Doris Lessing in conversation with Tom Maschler, followed by question and answer session, Lecture Theatre 6, Essex University, 8.

The papers

The Government's decision to allow full-time Sunday shopping gains support from the News Of The World and The Observer. The former paper respects the opposition of many Christians to the move, but insists that "surely there are worse real evils on God's earth than the make-believe one of Sunday opening."

The Observer finds it ironic that the traditional Sunday is being scrapped by "the daughter of a church-going provincial grocer." The paper suspects that the Prime Minister's father would probably have cherished the quality of his Sunday more than that of any other day.

Britain is still not a country fit for heroes, the Sunday Mirror claims. Exactly 67 years after Lloyd George's promise after the armistice Britain is still failing its injured ex-servicemen and their relatives. The paper says that the latest scandalous example of the nation's failure is the niggardly pensions awarded to the former bandsmen of the Royal Green Jackets who survived a bomb attack by the IRA in Regent's Park, London, in 1982.

The Manchester students who broke up a meeting addressed by Mr David Waddington, Minister of State at the Home Office, are compared by Sunday Express with the Hitler Youth. The paper calls for their dismissal from the university because, it says there are other young people who would make far better use of their publicly subsidized higher education.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.15	2.03
Austria Sch	27.15	25.75
Belgium Fr	76.35	74.85
Canada $	2.02	1.93
Denmark Kr	13.35	13.25
Finland Mkk	8.27	7.87
France Fr	11.71	11.17
Germany DM	3.84	3.66
Greece Dr	260.00	250.00
Hong Kong $	11.34	10.84
Ireland Pt	1.250	1.190
Italy Lire	2500.00	2478.00
Japan Yen	307.00	289.00
Netherlands Gld	4.33	4.13
Norway Kr	11.60	11.05
Portugal Esc	241.00	223.00
South Africa Rd	4.05	3.80
Spain Pts	235.00	224.00
Sweden Kr	11.60	11.05
Switzerland Fr	3.17	3.01
USA $	1.48	1.41
Yugoslavia Dnr	660.00	620.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 376.5.

London: The FT index closed up 11.9 on Friday at 1082.5.

New York: The Dow Jones Industrial average closed up 4.82 at 1404.36.

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Nature notes

The first frosts have set more birds on the move. Bearded tits from Norfolk are going south to less exposed reedbeds; they flit over the tops of the reeds with their long chestnut tails twisting and turning, then drop out of sight again.

However they are noisy birds, and quickly detected by their distinctive call, which is like a series of small balloons bursting suddenly.

Twites are coming down from the north: they are like duller, neater linnets, but in winter can be picked out by their yellow beaks.

Finches which live in quite different habitats in summer are joining up in flocks. Reed buntings can be found feeding on the same seeds as goldfinches, with the larger, aggressive buntings often chasing the goldfinches in fast flight.

Trees were very colourful a week ago, but many have now been blown bare by the winds. Under plane trees there are piles of leathery leaves, which will not crumble for months. Oaks and aspens are still green, and hornbeams are retentive of their pale yellow leaves.

American hawthorns are laden with large red berries; faced with this rich crop, blackbirds suppress their territorial instincts and feed together in the branches.

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Airing views

A one-day conference on how broadcasting should be financed is to be held in London on November 28 at Church House, Westminster.

Admission is by ticket only and a maximum of four per single application will be distributed. These can be obtained free by writing to Miss A. Jeffries, Assistant Secretary, Committee on Financing the BBC, Room T1078, Home Office, Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AT. A maximum of 450 members of press and public can be admitted.

Anniversaries

Births: Fyder Dostoevsky (old style Oct 30), Moscow, 1821; Paul Signac, painter of the pointillist school, Paris, 1863; Edouard Vuillard, painter, Cuiseaux, France, 1868.

Deaths: Johann Zoffany, painter, London, 1810; Sören Kierkegaard, philosopher, Copenhagen, 1855; Ned Kelly, outlaw, hanged Melbourne 1880.

The Allies and Germany signed an Armistice, Compiègne Forest, 1918. King George V unveiled the Cenotaph in Whitehall and an Unknown Warrior was buried in Westminster Abbey, 1920.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Continuation of debate on the Queen's Speech (Social security and education).

Bond winners

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for premium bond prizes are: £100,000, 3XS 926274 (winner lives in Liverpool); £50,000: 17TS 288796 (Aberdeen); £25,000: 3DP 293493 (Midlands).

Roads

Wales and the West: M4: Lane closes between junctions 21 and 22 (Chepstow); M4: Contraflow between junctions 22 and 23 Chepstow to Magor; no eastbound entry or westbound exit at junction 23. Slip road restrictions; M5: Roadworks between junctions 25 and 29 Taunton to Wellington.

The North: M62: Contraflow and roadworks between junctions 32 (A639 Castleford) and 33 (A1). Yorks; Greater Manchester: M62/A62/A6052 eccles Interchange: Lane restrictions north of Barton Bridge. No access from M63 northbound to M62 westbound; A1(M): Consrallow Don Viaduct, works; repairs to bridge parapets.

Scotland: M74: Repairs between junctions 3 and 4. Southbound-carriageway closed. Contraflow on northbound; M59: Lane closures between junctions 10and11 Stirling to Bridge of Allan; A85: Gas main installation of coils, Aberdeen, single line traffic with lights.

Information supplied by the AA

Weather forecast

A cold airflow will cover the British Isles.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S England: Becoming rather cloudy, occasional rain or sleet, brighter and mainly dry later, wind W becoming NW moderate. Max temp 7C (45F).

E Anglia, E England: Bright or sunny periods, scattered sleet of snow showers, wind NW fresh becoming moderate. Max temp 6C (43F).

Midlands, N Wales, NW central N England, Lake District: Occasional sleet or snow, becoming brighter, scattered wintry showers; wind NW fresh becoming moderate. Max temp 5 to 7C (45F).

Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Rather cloudy, occasional rain or sleet, brighter later, scattered showers; wind NW moderate or fresh. Max temp 8C (43F).

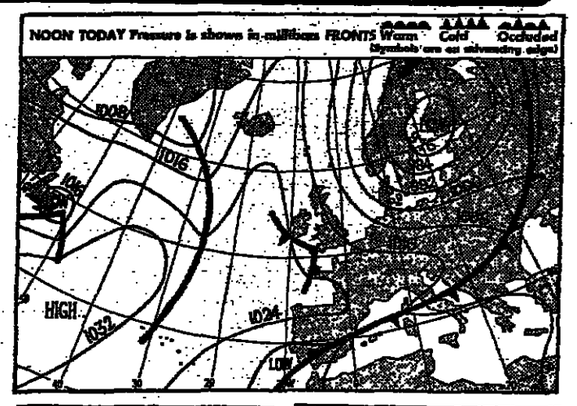
Isle of Man, SW, NW Scotland, Argyll, N Ireland: Sunny intervals, scattered sleet or snow showers; wind NW moderate. Max temp 8C (43F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee: Sunny periods, isolated snow showers; wind fresh or strong becoming moderate. Max temp 3 to 5C (41F).

Aberdeen, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals, snow showers, some heavy; wind NW strong becoming fresh. Max temp 4C (39F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Becoming mainly dry with sunny or clear periods. Mostly rather cold with widespread night frost.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: Wind NW strong or gale. Wintry showers. Visibility good. Sea rough or very rough. English Channel E, Strait of Dover: Wind W fresh or strong. Showers. Visibility good. Sea moderate or rough. St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind N fresh. Showers. Visibility good. Sea moderate.





b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; m-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled, temperatures centigrade.

High tides

TODAY

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	12.12	7.9	12.38	7.0
Aberdeen			12.04	4.2
Avonmouth	5.44	13.0	6.04	13.5
Belfast	9.34	3.4	9.49	3.8
Cardiff	5.29	12.1	5.49	12.4
Devonport	4.15	5.5	4.34	6.8
Dover	9.27	6.7	9.50	6.7
Falmouth	3.45	5.3	4.04	5.6
Glasgow	11.30	4.9	11.44	4.9
Harwich	10.18	3.9	10.55	4.0
Holyhead	8.51	5.5	9.05	5.8
Hull	4.35	7.3	5.15	7.4
Ilfracombe	4.30	9.0	4.48	9.3
Leith	12.48	5.4	1.19	5.5
Liverpool	9.49	9.4	10.05	9.7
Lowestoft	7.40	2.4	8.36	2.5
Manora	10.19	4.8	10.59	4.9
Milford Haven	4.44	6.9	5.04	7.2
Newquay	3.37	6.9	3.56	7.3
Oban	4.31	3.9	4.56	4.2
Penzance	3.17	5.6	3.53	5.9
Portland	5.41	2.2	5.50	2.3
Portsmouth	3.57	4.9	10.15	4.9
Shoreham	9.38	6.3	9.56	6.3
Southampton	3.29	4.6	9.46	4.5
Swansea	4.49	9.5	5.09	8.9
Tees	1.57	5.4	2.32	5.5
Walton-on-Naze	10.16	4.1	10.48	4.3

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.28088.

Around Britain

	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	7.2	.28	4	39	Sunny
Bridlington	6.5	.32	6	43	Sunny
Cromer	0.5	.36	9	48	Cloudy
Lowestoft	1.9	.28	4	39	Bright
Clacton	5.5	.15	4	39	Sunny
Margate	-	-	-	-	-
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	2.9	.31	6	43	Sunny pm
Hastings	5.4	.26	6	43	Sunny
Eastbourne	5.7	.17	6	43	Sunny
Brighton	6.2	.13	5	41	Sunny
Worthing	7.4	.08	6	43	Sunny
Littlehampton	6.7	.10	7	45	Sunny
Bognor R	7.0	.15	6	43	Sunny
Southsea	8.0	.06	7	45	Sunny
Seaview	8.1	.09	7	45	Sunny
Shanklin	7.7	.09	6	43	Sunny
Bournemth	8.2	-	7	45	Sunny
Poole	8.3	-	7	45	Sunny
Swanage	7.8	.09	8	46	Sunny
Weymouth	7.5	-	8	46	Sunny
Exmouth	6.1	.03	7	45	Sunny
Teignmouth	6.4	.04	8	46	Sunny
Torquay	6.6	.02	8	46	Sunny
Falmouth	6.4	.04	8	46	Sunny
Penzance	7.7	.07	10	50	Sunny
Jersey	4.6	.36	9	48	Showrs
Guernsey	4.2	.17	9	48	Sunnypm
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	5.9	.04	9	48	Sunny
Newquay	4.8	.06	9	48	Showrs pm
Ilfracombe	-	.48	8	46	Showrs
Tenby	-	-	-	-	-
Colwyn Bay	-	-	-	-	-
Southport	-	-	-	-	-
Morecambe	8.6	.20	5	41	Bright
Douglas	4.1	.84	5	41	Hail pm
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London (Ctd)	6.1	.13	7	45	Sunny
B'ham (Airpt)	7.5	.45	4	39	Sunny
Bristol (Ctd)	7.8	.04	7	45	Sunny
Cardiff (Ctd)	7.1	.02	7	45	Sunny
Anglesey	4.2	.23	7	45	Showrs
B'pool (Airpt)	6.8	.48	8	43	Showrs pm
Manchester	7.6	.27	5	41	Showrs pm
Nottingham	5.3	.21	4	39	Sunny
N'cstl-on-Tyne	7.9	.33	4	39	Sunny
Carlisle	7.3	.08	5	41	Sunny
SCOTLAND					
Edinburgh	7.7	.13	2	36	Sunny
Dalwhinnie	6.0	.03	5	41	Sunny am
Glasgow	7.2	-	5	41	Sunny
Tiree	2.7	.04	9	43	Snow am
Stornoway	2.9	.20	3	37	Showrs
Lerwick	1.5	.04	1	34	Snow
Wick	2.8	.38	2	36	Snow
Kinloss	2.8	.02	3	37	Snow
Aberdeen	2.2	.15	2	36	Snow
St Andrews	-	-	-	-	-
Edinburgh	4.6	-	5	41	Sunny
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	2.8	.17	5	41	Hail

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: o, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sl, sleet; sn, snow.

	C	F		C	F
Belfast	sl	3	37	Guernsey	f	7	45
Birmingham	f	5	37	Inverness	sn	1	34
Blackpool	s	5	41	Jersey	r	5	41
Bristol	s	6	43	London	s	6	43
Cardiff	s	6	43	Manchester	s	4	39
Edinburgh	s	4	39	Newcastle	s	3	37
Glasgow	s	4	39	Roneldsway			

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 7C (45F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 3C (37F). Humidity: 6 pm, 88 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.13in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 6.1. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,015.2 millibars, rising.

Saturday: Temp: max 8 am to 6 pm, 14C (57F); min 6 pm to 8 am, 9C (48F). Humidity: 6 pm, 81 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.21in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 2.2. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 998.8 millibars, steady. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Penzance, 10C (50F); lowest day max: Aviemore, 1C (34F); highest rainfall: Keswick, 2.12in; highest sunshine: Poole, 8.3hr.

Saturday: Highest day temp: Jersey, Guernsey, 15C (61F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, Larwick, 4C (39F); highest rainfall: Keswick, 2.21in; highest sunshine: Tenby, 6.5hr.

Sun rises: 7.12 am. Sun sets: 4.17 pm
Moon rises: 5.24 Moon sets: 3.43
New Moon tomorrow.

Lighting-up time

London 4.47 pm to 6.43 am
Bristol 4.57 pm to 6.53 am
Edinburgh 4.43 pm to 7.13 am
Manchester 4.48 pm to 6.58 am
Penzance 5.13 pm to 7.00 am

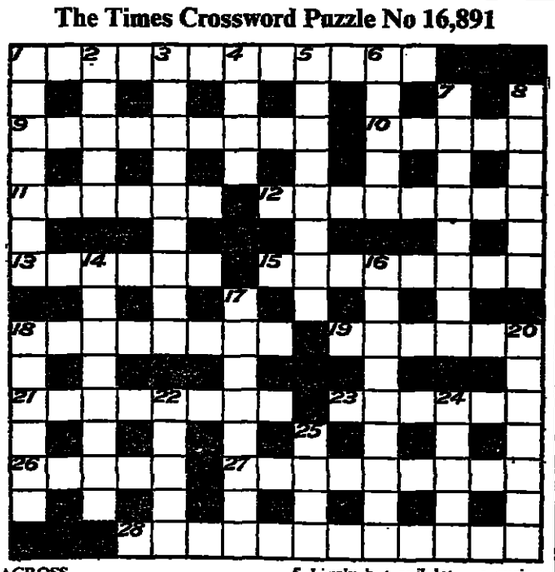
Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

		C	F			C	F			C	F
Alaccio	s	24	75	Cologne	c	11	52	Majorca	s	24	75	Rome	f	21	70
Alicant	s	27	70	Copenhgn	r	7	45	Malaga	s	24	75	Salzburg	r	11	52
Alexandria*	s	28	79	Corfu	s	19	66	Malta*	s	21	79	Sao Paulo*	f	21	70
Algiers	s	31	88	Dublin	s	4	39	Melbourne	s	27	81	S Francisco*	s	17	63
Amsterdam	f	6	43	Dubrovnik	s	18	64	Mexico C*	s	18	64	Santiago*	s	27	81
Athens*	f	16	61	Faro	s	19	66	Miami*	s	23	73	Seoul	c	5	41
Bahrain*	s	28	82	Florence	c	22	72	Milan	d	9	48	Singapore*	f	30	86
Barbados*	f	30	86	Frankfurt	f	12	54	Montreal*	c	7	45	Stockholm	c	8	46
Barcelona	s	24	75	Funchal	s	23	73	Moscow	c	3	37	Strasbourg	r	12	59
Beirut				Geneva	r	11	52	Munich	r	9	48	Sydney	s	23	73
Belgrade	c	20	68	Gibraltar	s	23	73	Madrid	c	20	68	Tangier	s	27	81
Berlin	c	11	52	Helsinki	r	8	46	Naples	s	20	68	Tel Aviv	s	30	86
Bermuda*	s	25	77	Hong Kong	s	23	73	New Delhi	s	25	77	Tenerife			
Biarritz	c	13	55	Innsbruck	r	11	52	New York*	s	15	59	Tokyo	f	20	68
Bologna	c	5	41	Istanbul	s	14	57	Nice	s	19	66	Toronto			
Bordeaux	c	13	55	Jo'burg*	c	31	88	Oslo	c	4	39	Tunis	s	25	77
Brussels	r	6	43	Karachi	s	29	84	Paris	c	8	46	Valencia	s	27	81
Budapest	c	12	54	Kuwait	s	29	84	Peking	s	8	46	Vancouver*	c	8	46
Buen Aires*	s	31	88	Las Palmas	s	25	77	Perth*	c	19	66	Venice	c	11	52
Cairo	c	22	72	Lisbon	c	17	63	Prague	c	9	48	Vienna	c	11	52
Cape Tn	s	26	77	Locarno	r	8	46	Reykjavik	s	2	28	Warsaw	f	10	50
C'Blanca	s	31	88	L Angeles*	s	20	68	Rhodes*	s	21	70	Washington*	s	17	63
Chicago*	s	8	46	Luxembg	c	6	43	Riyadh	f	32	90	Wellington*	s	14	57
Ch'church*	f	17	63	Madrid	f	18	64	Rio de Jan	s	25	77	Zurich	r	9	48

* denotes Friday's figures are latest available

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,891



ACROSS

1 Study the sound of birds in Northern Europe (12).
9 Act about a rate-change where two parties are involved (9).
10 Reporters cause a crowd (5).
11 Position for sophisticated and virtuous man – a local leader (6).
12 Poor sailors' accommodation (8).
13 French art gallery's assets (6).
15 Fruit worker in basic housing (8).
18 Opening some returns to do with gold (8).
19 A West Country town will show the way (6).
21 Bringing someone to doctor sick animal (8).
23 A midday rest is a set arrangement (6).
26 Pole after a row? That's material (5).
27 Giving directions for quiet living (9).
28 Mixes in time with single characters (12).

DOWN

1 Unter den Linden is imposing (7).
2 A giant set of maps (5).
3 Action taken about discourse being belittled (9).
4 An emperor in his ermine robe (4).
5 Lively but evil lot – a curious mixture (8).
6 Generous politician getting in beer (5).
7 Not altogether content about bearing standard (8).
8 A rigid back (6).
14 The non-male falling for exercise (8).
16 Possibly turn it on about one to prepare food (9).
17 The firm left to slip into bankruptcy (8).
18 Place of worship – the Head uses two (6).
20 Means of riot-control that's sure to affect the viewers (4-3).
22 No railwaymen get up and talk incessantly (3,2).
24 Not moving yet (5).
25 Appear to understand a large number (4).

The Solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 16,890 will appear next Saturday

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Portfolio

Times Portfolio rules are as follows:

1 Times Portfolio is free. Purchase of The Times is not a condition of taking part.

2 Times Portfolio list comprises a group of public companies whose shares are listed on The Stock Exchange and quoted in The Times Stock Exchange prices page. The companies comprising that list will change from day to day. The list is divided into four groups of ten shares (1-10, 11-20, 21-30 and 31-40) and every Portfolio card contains two numbers from each group.

3 Times Portfolio "dividend" will be the figure in pence which represents the optimum movement in prices (i.e., largest increase or lowest loss) of a combination of eight (two from each group) of the 40 shares which on any day, comprise The Times Portfolio list.

4 The daily dividend will be announced each day and the weekly dividend will be announced each Saturday in The Times.

5 Times Portfolio list and details of the daily or weekly dividend will also be available for inspection at the offices of The Times.

6 If the overall price movement of more than one combination of shares equals the dividend, the prize will be equally divided among the claimants holding those combinations of shares.

7 All claims are subject to scrutiny before payment. Any Times Portfolio card that is defaced, tampered with or incorrectly printed in any way will be declared void.

8 Employees of News International plc and its subsidiaries and of Europrint Group Limited (producers and distributors of the card) or members of their immediate families are not allowed to play Times Portfolio.

9 All participants will be subject to these Rules. All instructions on "how to play" and "how to claim" whether published in The Times or in Times Portfolio cards will be deemed to be part of these Rules.

10 In any dispute, The Editor's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

11 If for any reason The Times Prices Page is not published in the normal way Times Portfolio will be suspended for that day.

How to play – Daily Dividend

On each day your unique set of eight numbers will represent commercial and industrial shares published in The Times Portfolio list which will appear on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

In the columns provided next to your shares note the price change (+ or –), in pence, as published in that day's Times.

After listing the price changes of your eight shares for that day, add up all eight share changes to give you your overall total plus or minus (+ or –).

Check your overall total against The Times Portfolio dividend published on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

If your overall total matches The Times Portfolio dividend you have won outright or a share of the total prize money stated for that day and must claim your prize as instructed below.

Portfolio – how to play

Monday–Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

Add these together to determine your weekly Portfolio total.

If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to claim

Telephone The Times Portfolio claims line 0254-53272 between 10.00 am and 3.30 pm, on the day your overall total matches The Times Portfolio Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.

You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours.

The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

● Some Times Portfolio cards include minor misprints in the instructions on the reverse side. These cards are not invalidated.

● The wording of Rules 2 and 3 has been extracted from earlier versions for clarification purposes. The Game itself is not affected and will continue to be played in exactly the same way as before.

